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IRONSIDES NEARER TO CANTON

PUBLIC CONSIDERS THEM TO HAVE
A FIGHTING CHANCE

JOINED BY KWANGSI CANTONESE DIVISIONS HOLDING WUCHOW

[By Our Political Correspondent]

Today's news shows less chance of war in the provinces adjacent to Hong Kong being averted. Further, fighting (presumably in a small way) is reported to have broken out already—at a time when trade should improve for the season before China New Year.

From Wuchow, the Royal Naval authorities report that the place remains quiet for the present.

Yesterday some troops were sent down the West River into Kwangtung, it is added. These must be Cantonese under General Chan Chai-tong (Commander-in-Chief of Kwangtung and Kwangsi), who is supporting the National Government of Nanking. The number is not mentioned but the men are probably being withdrawn to reinforce Kwangtung's defences against the Ironsides who are moving into the N.W. of Kwangtung, with Canton as their goal.

REFUSED TO FIGHT

"Fighting between General Chan Chai-tong and General Lui Woon-yim is alleged to have taken place somewhere near Kweiping," the Naval wireless states.

This means that the Cantonese and Kwangsi-ites under Lui Woon-yim (who, until November 16, was an ally of the Cantonese) are definitely estranged, the Kwangsi-ites having refused to fight the Ironsides.

BASE OF OPERATIONS

Some Kwangsi troops under Lui Woon-yim are believed to have reached Mongkong, a small town about 30 miles above Wuchow, on the West River. If this is correct, the Kwangsi-ites are moving on Wuchow, hitherto the base of operations for the pro-National Government allies against the Ironsides.

"There are still a large number of Nationalist forces in Wuchow," the message concludes. These men are Cantonese sent up from Canton to oppose the Ironsides. Now that the Kwangsi-ites have turned against them, the Cantonese are holding to Wuchow against the Kwangsi divisions.

AN EYE ON KWANGSI

Since the turn of the Kwangsi-ites against them, the Cantonese are dividing their units into three columns. One is that at Wuchow, to "keep an eye" on Kwangsi. At Kweiping, fighting has already broken out, according to the intelligence quoted. The other two columns will be in the North River valley of Kwangtung, guarding the routes by which the Ironsides hope to move in order to join hands. Actual hostilities in this sector are expected in three days.

Yesterday was a notable day in Canton, the seat of government loyal to Nanking. Every Monday a memorial service is held in every official building, office, barracks, etc. The leaders took the opportunity to predict utter defeat of the Ironsides and the "traitorous divisions of Kwangsi," which went over to the Ironsides.

"FLOWER" OF THE ARMY

General Li Yung-king is to have charge of operations at the front. He made his name as successor to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek at the Whampoa Military Academy where the cadets are trained. When H.E. the Governor of Hong Kong (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) paid his visit to Canton in March, 1928, General Li commanded the flower of the Cantonese army drawn up on parade as the guard of honour on that occasion.

It is not anticipated that the Kwangsi troops will attempt to invade Kwangtung, even if some of Lui Woon-yim's men are already at Mongkong. They are likely to be satisfied with wrestling Wuchow, the port of the province, which the Cantonese hold at the moment.

IRONSIDES DETERMINED
The Ironsides have set their faces on Canton. They have marched throughout the length and breadth

PURCHASE OF YOUNG CHINESE GIRL

OFFENCE THAT WAS MADE
ILLEGAL BY NEW ACT

SOLD FOR \$30

A Chinese man, (Man Yin), and his concubine, (Wong Kiu), of 20, Centre Street, West Point, second floor, were charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, this morning, with taking part on September 26 in a transaction, the object of which was the possession, custody, and transfer of Ngan Ho, a girl aged four years, for the consideration of \$30.

The Ordinance, (Offence Against the Person Ordinance), it should be mentioned, was passed on September 20, only six days before the offence was committed.

On behalf of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Mr. L. R. Andrews prosecuted, and Mr. F. X. d'Almada, sen., appeared for the defence.

Ignorance No Defence

Mr. Hamilton remarked that apparently the accused were being charged for doing something which up to September 20 would have been legitimate, but as it was continued after that date it became illegal.

Mr. d'Almada pointed out that the Ordinance was still very new

FRESH AND CLOUDY

Today's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:

The anti-cyclone is moving into the eastern sea.

The depression is situated to the north east of Hokkaido.

Fresh monsoon will prevail along the S.E. coast of China and over the northern China Sea.

Forecast: — N. E. winds; fresh; cloudy.

when the alleged offence was committed.

His Worship, however, remarked that ignorance was no defence in law and Mr. d'Almada agreed. The case was then proceeded with.

A Police Raid

Police Sergeant McKay, attached to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, said that on September 30, accompanied by a party of District Watchmen, he raided the second floor of 20, Centre Street by virtue of a general warrant issued under the Women and Girls' Protection Ordinance.

On entering the floor witness found the two accused there, with a little girl, aged about four years, and a number of other people.

Witness made inquiries and then searched the accused's effects.

In a black box which the male accused claimed as his, Chinese District Watchman 99 found six "sung tip" (deeds of presentation), relating to various children.

Deed of Sale

The accused were taken into custody with the others on the premises and taken to the S.C.A. for inquiries. When questioned at the S.C.A., the male accused said that he had a "deed of sale" relating to the girl in question, and in consequence of this statement, witness sent D.W. 99 with accused to the house and on their return the D.W. handed witness the document (produced). On November 7, witness took the two accused from Central Police Station to No. 7 Police Station where they were charged.

Mr. Andrews then informed the Magistrate that he proposed to call the woman who gave information leading to the accused's arrest. She had expressed a wish that her name and address would not be published, and Mr. Andrews requested that the Press take note.

Matter for the Press

Mr. Hamilton said that he would not make any pronouncement on the matter. The Press could decide for themselves whether or not to accede to the woman's request.

Mr. Andrews said that he realised that, and therefore he wanted the woman to be warned before going into the witness box that no guarantee was being given to her that her name and address would not be published.

When Mr. Lau, the Court Interpreter, explained this to the woman, she said that she did not mind very much as she intended to expose the facts.

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BUS HANGS OVER PRAYA WALL

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE OF
DRIVER

UNUSUAL EXPERIENCE

A Chinese driver employed by the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotel motor bus service had an escape from death this morning, when a Studebaker motor bus was accidentally driven over the seawall in the vicinity of the Hong Kong Star ferry wharf and next to the Queen's Pier. The bus was held in a precarious position on the edge of the Praya by the rear end of the crank case.

It appears that the driver, who is said to be new to his work, was summoned to proceed to Queen's Pier to relieve another bus. It was, it is stated, his first ride in the Studebaker bus and his unfamiliarity nearly proved his undoing. He started to slow down on rounding a statue and called out to the driver of the bus he was to relieve. He did not notice, however, that his vehicle was gradually nearing the edge of the seawall. When he realised his predicament it was too late. The bus bumped over; there was a harsh grind; but the bus stood still, firmly held in position by the crank case.

Members of the mechanical staff of the motor service arrived soon after, and two repair trucks were summoned.

Shortly after 10.15 o'clock the tug "Peria" with a lighter in tow moored alongside the wall, and a rope was fastened to the front of the bus suspended from the crane. By this means, the bus was lifted up to the level of the road, while a motor truck tugged from behind. By 10.35 o'clock the vehicle was placed safely on the road.

WATCHMAN SHOT IN DOCK

CHARGE AGAINST "KID"
MARRIOTT

A FURTHER REMAND

Mr. Henry ("Kid") Marriott, D.C.M., Sergeant of Police, Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., made his second appearance before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, in connection with the charge of killing Ojagar Singh, an Indian watchman of the Docks on November 10.

Detective-Inspector C. D. Fallon, of the Yaumatei Detective office, informed his Worship that the Crown Solicitor had been instructed, and would ask for a further remand.

It was intimated that Mr. H. J. Armstrong had been instructed to defend.

The Magistrate granted the remand, and allowed bail of \$500 as before.

U.S. STOCK EXCHANGE FAILURE

RESULT OF THE WALL STREET
DEBACLE

FIRM SUSPENDED

New York, Yesterday.

The first failure of the New York Stock Exchange house as a result of the recent Wall Street debacle is announced, namely, the firm of Mandeville Brooks and Chaffee of Providence, Rhode Island, which has been suspended for inability to meet its engagements. The only other failures reported are two members of the New York Curb Exchange and a member of the Produce Exchange.

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PUGILISTIC NOVICE WINS ON A FOUL

WORLD'S HARDEST HITTER GOES
DOWN TO ITALIAN GIANT

PRINCE OF WALES ATTENDS

London, Yesterday.

Not even Carpenter gripped the boxing imagination of London like the gigantic but modest Italian, Carnara, who, though a pugilistic novice, (he was a carpenter a year ago) carries 20 stones into the ring with feline grace.

To-night was the biggest test of his career against the American, Stribling, reputed to be one of the hardest hitters in the world. They weighed in respectively at 13 stone 13½ lbs. and 20 stone and 3 lbs., fully dressed. There had been a great stampede for seats and no standing room was available. The Prince of Wales is attending the fight, which is scheduled to begin at 9.20 p.m. Stribling's wife, baby son, father and mother will be in his corner. 5,000 Spectators.

At the Albert Hall, 5,000 spectators, including the Prince of Wales, saw Primo Carnara, the Italian giant (20 stone) win on a foul in the fourth round over the American, Stribling (13½ stone).—Reuter.

The Fight Described

"To-night I fight," said Carnara before the night, but Stribling revealed this as a childlike delusion in no un-

certain manner. The debonair young fighter just stepped from the bosom of his family to solve the Carnara mystery, stood up like the Venetian Colossus, and with gladiatorial courage ducked and swayed the ponderous leads with easy nonchalance, then, watching the Italian's eyes with tiger-like ferocity, feinted with his left and stepped in and looked up to the towering figure, while he swung his first left over the Italian's shoulder to the jaw, then brought his right under the ribs.

Masterly Defence

Carnara's struggles in the clinches were not availing against Stribling's comparatively masterly defensive work. Encouraged by the plaudits of the crowd, Stribling pummelled away at clinches until the third round when, having completely exposed the Italian as a mere novice, he stepped in again with a right uppercut to the chin, left over the Italian's shoulder to the jaw, then brought his right under the ribs.

Stribling Anxious

The fourth round began with the audience trembling for the American, and there certainly was a shade anxiety in his eyes.

Carnara was aroused and shot from his corner for his man, who had to clinch to save himself, then a moment of tense silence was broken by a groan from Carnara, who was hugging his abdomen with both hands. He sank to the floor and rolled over his face distorted with terrible agony from a low right, which ended the contest in a sorry anti-climax.

The fight was divided into two distinct phases, firstly, Carnara's almost incredible restraint, which made him merely a huge target; and secondly, his terrible power when roused.

The Italian retired from the fight bearing the signs of severe facial punishment. His nose was skinned in the first round and his eyes and lips swollen.—Reuter.

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PIRATES AGAIN ACTIVE

ROBBERS, DISGUISED AS PASSENGERS,
KILL SHIP'S GUARDS

\$20,000 LOOT

COUP CONTEMPLATED BEFORE
NEW YEAR

Owing to the transfer of troops from Kwangtung and Suikiang, the pirates have again become very active.

The steamer "Sun Kwei-yik" plying between Szewui and Waihsap was plundered on November 9 at a place known as Pailamkun, states the Canton News Agency.

The pirates, who were disguised as passengers, killed two guards on board and secured entire control of the vessel, carrying away valuables and goods amounting to \$20,000 in addition to over seventy passengers being kidnapped for ransom.

TWO GANGS ACTIVE

The Colonial Secretary has notified the Commodore, the British Consul-General at Canton, the Hon. Harbour Master, the Hon. Inspector General and the Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs, that he has received information to the effect that two gangs of Bias Bay pirates have now gone out and, it is believed, are contemplating a piracy before the Chinese New Year, i.e., January 31.

The gangs are said to be from 10 to 25 strong, and it is reported that they have sent back to Fan Lo Kong a message requesting additional funds.

STEAMER DETAINED

Shanghai, Nov. 14.

The China Merchants' s.s. "Kwangchi" is in trouble again.

The vessel has now been commandeered by "water police" to pursue pirates. Apparently China Merchants steamers can be commandeered by any person or body—whether official or otherwise—regardless of the loss of revenue thus occasioned. This latter consideration appears to interest no one in particular except, perhaps, the long-suffering shareholders.

It will be remembered that some days ago the "Kwangchi" was

pirated off the Chekiang coast while on a voyage to Shanghai.

In this connection there is one highly satisfactory feature which came to light yesterday. The vessel carried \$27,000 in silver, the property of the Bank of China and put on board at Wenchow for shipment to Shanghai. The prize was entirely overlooked by the pirates.

PASSENGER'S STORIES

The following telegram was received at the Shanghai branch of the China Merchants Co. yesterday. "Kwangchi" arrived Halmen at 6.30 p.m. to-day (Monday) and again awaits orders, although police using boat to chase pirates. Capt. Tong.

Accordingly the position resolves itself to this. The vessel was pirated, is now chasing pirates on the instruction of the "water police" and is prevented from transporting cargo from Chekiang ports to Shanghai.

Yesterday, some of the passengers who were on board at the time of the piracy arrived in Shanghai. They told pitiful stories.

MASTER HELD UP

It appears that eight pirates travelling as passengers embarked at Wenchow and that soon after the ship left port held up the master and officers. The officers were bound and were told that it was not the intention to pirate the ship. The object was to rob the water police of arms and ammunition. The ship approached a small island and Capt. Tong, navigating his ship under threats, brought the vessel to an anchorage. The leader of the pirate gang fired three shots in the air and immediately more than 100 men appeared on the shore and entering native boats made for the "Kwangchi" and boarded her. Captain Tong was then ordered to proceed.

PIRATES LANDED

They reached Shihpu at 7 p.m. on November 7 and the pirates landed—leaving a guard on the ship. There were three small cruisers and one gunboat at the latter place but in spite of these, the pirates had little difficulty in overpowering the water police and those in charge of the latter vessels, and actually captured the two cruisers. Seven members of the police were killed and two were taken captive by the pirates. The gunboat managed to open fire, whereupon the marauders withdrew and again boarded the "Kwangchi." One passenger on the merchant ship was killed and several wounded in the course of the engagement.

Three hours after the pirate gang left Shihpu, the s.s. "Tah Hwa" and "Chow Shan" arrived at that port. The Inspector of the water police commandeered the "Tah Hwa" and gave chase to the "Kwangchi." Reaching a small harbour known as King Chin Kong, the vessels met and fire was exchanged. Apparently realising that the time for escape had arrived, the pirates then left the ship and carried their loot to the shore in the ship's boats.

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- (1) To consider, and if thought necessary, approve of the proposed Church of England Trust Ordinance, a copy of which can be seen at the Cathedral Hall or on application to the Hon. Secretary.
- (2) To elect two persons to represent St. John's Cathedral on the Body of Trustees to be constituted by the proposed Ordinance.

By Order of the Church Body,
W. L. PATTENDEN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 11th Nov., 1929.

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BRITISH CONCESSION**Chinkiang Returned To Chinese****LEASES EXCHANGED****Full Correspondence Detailing The Arrangements****LAND TAX**

As from November 15 the British Concession at Chinkiang, issued to H.M. Government, in perpetuity, in 1861, is returned to the Chinese Government.

Title deeds will be exchanged for Chinese deeds of perpetual lease at a registration fee of \$1 per mow.

Pending the introduction of a new law governing land taxation throughout China, the annual land tax paid by former holders of British Crown leases in Chinkiang will remain at the present rate.

The right of conveying goods, merchandise, and material across the Bund between godowns and ships is guaranteed.

The correspondence, dealing with all arrangements, between Sir Miles Lampson and Dr. C. T. Wang follows in full.

THE LETTERS ON BOTH SIDES

H. E. Dr. C. T. Wang,

Minister for Foreign Affairs,

Nanking.

Nanking, Oct. 31, 1929.

Sir,—I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom agree to return to the National Government of the Republic of China as from November 15 next the area of land known as the British Concession at Chinkiang which was leased to them in perpetuity under the agreement of lease of February 23, 1861 and the additional agreement of April 3, 1861 and that the British Municipal Administration of the said area will be dissolved and the British Municipal regulations repealed as from that date.

I have the honour to request Your Excellency's confirmation of my understanding that the documents of title to the lots of land in the said area issued by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom will be exchanged for Chinese deeds of perpetual lease, a registration fee of one dollar per mow being charged, and that the agreement of lease of February 23, 1861 and the additional agreement of April 3, 1861 above referred to, are hereby cancelled as from the date of rendition by mutual consent of our respective Governments.

I avail myself etc.
(Signed) MILES W. LAMPSON
Translation.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Nanking, Oct. 31, 1929.

H.E. Sir Miles W. Lampson.

H.B.M. Minister to China.

Excelsency,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note of to-day's date which reads as follows:—
"I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom agree to return to the National Government of the Republic of China as from November 15 next the area of land known as the British Concession at Chinkiang which was leased to them in perpetuity under the agreement of lease of February 23, 1861 and the additional agreement of April 3, 1861 and that the British Municipal Administration of the said area will be dissolved and the British Municipal regulations repealed as from that date."

"I have the honour to request Your Excellency's confirmation of my understanding that the documents of title to the lots of land in the said area issued by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom will be exchanged for Chinese deeds of perpetual lease, a registration fee of one dollar per mow being charged, and that the agreement of lease of February 23, 1861 and the additional agreement of April 3, 1861 above referred to, are hereby cancelled as from the date of rendition by mutual consent of our respective Governments."

I beg to confirm the correctness of your understanding as stated in paragraph 2 of your note under reply, and desire to convey to Your Excellency an expression of the sincere appreciation of the National Government of this friendly action on the part of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

I avail myself etc.
(Signed) C. T. WANG
Translation.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Nanking, Oct. 31, 1929.

To Sir Miles W. Lampson,
Excelsency,—With reference to your Note of to-day's date in which you were good enough to inform me of the decision of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to return to the National Government of the Republic of China the British Concession at Chinkiang, I have the honour to state that

pending the promulgation by the National Government of the Republic of China of a new law governing land taxation throughout China and pending the actual application of that law throughout the Chinkiang district the annual land tax to be paid by former holders of British Crown Leases in the Chinkiang District shall remain at the present rate.

I avail myself etc.
(Signed) C. T. WANG

To Dr. C. T. Wang,

Nanking, Oct. 31, 1929.

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note of to-day's date in which you state that "pending the promulgation by the National Government of China of a new law governing land taxation throughout China and pending the actual application of that law throughout the Chinkiang district the annual land tax to be paid by former holders of British Crown Leases in the Chinkiang District shall remain at the present rate."

I have taken due note of this statement with which His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom are in agreement.

I avail myself etc.
(Signed) MILES W. LAMPSON.

Nanking, Nov. 31, 1929.

To Dr. C. T. Wang,
Sir,—With reference to my note of to-day's date in which I informed Your Excellency of the decision of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to return to the National Government of the Republic of China, the British Concession at Chinkiang, I have the honour to request Your Excellency's confirmation of my understanding that British firms at Chinkiang shall continue to enjoy the right of conveying goods, merchandise and material across the Bund from godowns to pontoons or ships in the stream and vice versa.

I avail myself etc.
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TRAIN WRECK**Four Killed & Seventy Injured**

Knoxville, Tenn., Nov. 11.
Four persons were killed to-day and 70 others were injured when the Southern railroad's crack limited, the Ponca de Leon, was derailed. The locomotive and nine coaches left the track.
The train, operating at a speed of 60 miles an hour, plunged down an embankment 120 miles north of Chattanooga. The cause of the accident has not been learned.

Bandit Blamed

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 11.
The West Coast Flier of the Southern Pacific railroad, north-bound from Los Angeles to Sacramento, to-day was wrecked two miles west of Sausalito.

The train passed over loosened rails. Officials blame a bandit, who robbed the train's passengers, for the accident. Before he escaped the bandit held up passengers in one coach.

R. C. Ball, engineer, was probably fatally scalded. The engine overturned and two coaches left the rails. One baggage car was partially overturned. United Press.

**MR. INSTONE BREWER
FACES THE COURT.**

CHARGED WITH COMMITTING PERJURY**EVIDENCE OF ARREST**

Shanghai, Nov. 15.
In H.M. Police Court yesterday before the Registrar, Mr. I. T. Morris, Noel Instone Brewer appeared on a charge that he had committed a "breach of the Perjury Ordinance" in that he filed a document false in a material particular and also "breach of the Larceny Ordinance" in that he filed a balance sheet false in a material particular with intent to deceive.

Mr. R. Winter, assistant police prosecutor, appeared on behalf of the S.M.P. He told his Worship that a detective with another warrant was on his way from Hong Kong and is expected within a day or so.

Evidence of arrest was given by Det-Inspector H. Robertson who deposed that he arrested the accused at 2.45 p.m. on Wednesday.

"No Evidence"

The accused made an application for release on the grounds that there was no evidence against him and no complainant present. He also pointed out that he had returned from Japan of his own volition to answer the charges and had remained within the jurisdiction of the authorities. Accordingly, he pointed out that there was no intention to avoid the proceedings and asked for bail.

Question of Bail.
On the question of bail, the Registrar said that accused would have to provide heavy personal security and also obtain two sureties. Accused replied that personal security was out of the question. He had no means to satisfy such a ruling. Mr. Morris then adjourned the case for one week or until the warrant from Hong Kong arrived. Accused would be confined in Amoy Road gaol during such period.

CONTEMPT HINTED**Militating Against the Highest Tariff**

Washington, Nov. 11.
The senate lobby investigating committee to-day reported to the senate that the acts of William Burgess, agent of the United States Pottery Association, have amounted to "approximately contempt of the senate if they do not constitute such."

The committee reported there is no doubt that Burgess sought to constrain members of the tariff commission by giving them information militating against the highest possible tariff.
In presenting the report Senator T. H. Caraway, Democrat of Arkansas and its chairman, declared that Burgess has no regard for his own reputation, no hesitation in committing perjury and that he is willing to slander senators in order to gain what he wants. He was willing to accept money as a lobbyist, said Senator Caraway. United Press.

It would be an experiment of the greatest importance, said the speaker in conclusion, not only for the Colony itself, but for humanity as a whole, if extensive afforestation could be carried out around Hong Kong.



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**ECHO OF WATER
SHORTAGE**

AFFORESTATION PLEA**ADVANCED**

A lecture was given in Shanghai, recently, by Dr. A. L. Englander, who spoke on the causes of the drought in the north and water shortage in Hong Kong before a large audience of members of the Royal Asiatic Society and their friends.

Dr. Englander told his hearers that if someone were to place himself at a sufficient height above the earth and take a cinematograph film, a very strange sight would meet the eye. Whole continents, mountains and seas and great plains and hills would be seen to change their forms like clay in a potter's hands. He went on to describe the south Asian islands, the Philippines, Japan and Borneo and suggested that they had been separated from the Asian continent during the present geological period.

The distribution of sweet water all over the continent showed immense variations, between the uttermost extremes.

Denuding the Country

The silk and porcelain industry, said the speaker, the enormous Chinese river shipbuilding, even Chinese sepulchral rites, could develop only in land covered with extensive forests, of which there were at present no traces. The destruction of vegetation by man stopped not with the cutting of forests, for shrubs and underwoods were torn up and used. Everywhere in China, peasants were to be seen going up denuded mountain slopes to dig out the last shrubs and roots.

It was from central Asia that Europeans migrated to the west, the Indians to the south, the Chinese and kindred races to the east. All these migrations have been escapes from desert land to new, well-watered and well-afforested lands. Even now, millions leave Shantung and Chihli and migrate to the still well forested Manchuria. The ancestors of these same Chinese migrated from the Gobi to Shantung and now some 1,000 years of culture have transformed these flowery lands into deserts and semi-deserts. The peasant, the tiller of soil, dies out or migrates, the nomade ekes out a miserable existence from the old lands which first become a steppe and after some centuries a desert. Not only in China is this happening but on the edge of every desert.

Hong Kong's Difficulties

The forests and the trees and the bushes are cut as they have been through many thousands of years and even now they are cut more extensively and more rapidly. If there is not an extensive reforestation, north China will be doomed, said the lecturer.
Dr. Englander then turned to the water shortage in Hong Kong and said that the island itself contained sufficient vegetation but the neighbouring islands and even the mainland around Kowloon were sadly devastated. The climate of a small area is strongly influenced by the surrounding country. If all the surrounding hills were not re-afforested, Hong Kong, said the speaker, would soon be like Aden. That town had already practically no more water of its own, and its water supply was by tank ships, from the Perim Islands.

It would be an experiment of the greatest importance, said the speaker in conclusion, not only for the Colony itself, but for humanity as a whole, if extensive afforestation could be carried out around Hong Kong.

KING VICTOR**Sets Date For Visit to Pope**

Vatican City, Nov. 11.

A semi-official communique issued to-day said that King Victor Emmanuel has chosen December 5 as the date for his visit to the Pope and that the Pontiff has agreed to the date. The visit is made possible by the settlement of the controversy between the Italian state and Holy See.—Associated Press.

CUT HIS THROAT

Described as a store-keeper, a Chinese named Choi Yat attempted suicide in the hospital ward of the S.S. "President McKinley" last evening, whilst the vessel was alongside the Kowloon wharf. He was a passenger from Kobe to Hong Kong and, becoming queer during the voyage, was kept under observation in the ship's hospital. He inflicted a nasty cut in his throat with a razor, and his condition was so bad that he had to be removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

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**ANOTHER FIRE IN
KOWLOON**

SERIOUS OUTBREAK IN SHANGHAI STREET**THREE HOURS' WORK**

The Kowloon Fire Brigade had a busy day yesterday. After having been called to the fire at Canton Road at 1 a.m. (reported in yesterday's "China Mail"), they were again summoned to a serious outbreak of fire in Shanghai Street at 6.30 p.m.

A Stiff Fight
On arrival at the scene, the fire-fighters had to put up a stiff fight against the raging flames. Two hydrants were brought into use and the fire was of such a serious nature that it took about three hours before the stop signal was given. Considerable damage was done to the contents.

Peak Grass Fire
The Hong Kong Brigade received a call at 9.50 last night to a grass fire on the Peak, near house No. 362. Police and firemen responded to the call, and, together with the assistance of the men from the Botanical and Forestry Department, the fire was soon extinguished.

POLICE RESERVE**Orders For The Current Week**

The following Orders have been issued by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police:—

Winter Uniform

Winter uniform has been taken into general wear from Friday last. Those who are not in possession of same will apply to their respective Equipment Officers at once.

Chinese Company

Squad Drill. All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend at Central Police Station on Thursday at 5.30 p.m. sharp for squad drill under P/Sergeant R. J. Hunt. Dress—Muttli.

Indian Company

Training Course—Part I. The following members have been passed out as efficient in Part I. of Training Course (Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises):
Constables R220 Kandhara Singh, R225 Ghulam Rasuli, R244 Pura Singh II, R251 Pura Singh I, and R254 S. O. Ismail.

Flying Squad

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place to-day. Fall in at the Tsai-lai-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday. Fall in at Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company
Revolver Practice.—Members are reminded that revolver practice will be carried out on Kennedy Road Range on Sunday, at 10 a.m. Belts and holsters will be worn. Uniform optional.

(Sgd.) W. Kent, A.S.P., Adjutant.

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SHIPPING SECTION.

TRANSPORT SHIPS

Arrival of Border Regt. In Hong Kong

The transport "City of Marselles" arrived in harbour early this morning and tied up at Holt's Wharf to discharge stores and disembark some units which have been sent down to Hong Kong from Shanghai and Tientsin. The time of her departure for Home, via way ports, has not yet been fixed, but it will probably be this evening or early to-morrow morning.

The "Neuralia"

The "Neuralia," another transport, made port at daybreak yesterday and tied up at Holt's Wharf until evening when she left for Singapore. The "City of Marselles" is carrying, in addition to the Border Regiment from Tientsin, considerable numbers of drafts from Departmental Units. Some are from Tientsin and Shanghai, whilst others embark from Hong Kong.

Owing to the probable early departure of the ship, it is not expected that it will be possible to arrange anything in the nature of organised marches or recreation for the troops on board, as was done with the troops on the "Neuralia" yesterday.

The Border Regiment

The Border Regiment, or 34th Regiment of Foot, whose second battalion, formerly the 55th Foot, passes through Hong Kong today, from Tientsin on route for Rawalpindi, bears as its badge a dragon superimposed "China." This distinction was gained after successful and valiant service in China in 1841, the 55th Foot taking an active part in the capture of Chusan on October 1, that year.

The Border Regiment also bears on its Colours the honours of Havannah, St. Lucia, 1778, a number of battles in the Peninsula War, the Indian Mutiny, the Crimean War, Ladysmith, and South Africa. Of the 16 battalions raised during the war, service was seen by in France, Italy, Macedonia, Gallipoli, Egypt, and the North-West Frontier of India.

HARBOUR MISHAP

Occupants of Cargo Boat Rescued

Whilst going out to the S.S. "Tijebot" yesterday afternoon, laden with eight cases of earthenware, a cargo boat suddenly capsized opposite the Harbour Office, throwing all its occupants into the harbour. They were all rescued by the No. 4 launch belonging to the Harbour Department.

A youth was found to be in a serious condition and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital. The other junk people were none the worse for their immersion.

Four of the eight cases of cargo has been recovered from the bottom of the harbour, and salvage work is proceeding.

PASSENGER LISTS

ARRIVALS

Per s.s. "President McKinley" from America, Japan and China, November 18:—
Mr. T. H. Aldridge, Mr. and Mrs. F. Blane C. Benjamin, L. E. Brown, Mrs. G. Carvalho, Mrs. H. Crawford, E. Canavarro, Miss H. Crawford, Miss T. Callaco, W. H. Dauh, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dennis, P. Deckard, Mrs. J. H. Dudley, Miss Elizabeth Dudley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fenhagen, Miss G. G. Lewis, Miss Anna Lewis, W. H. Lane, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Lynn, Dr. and Mrs. C. M. M. M. M. M. Mitchell, E. B. Mills, Miss May, John Muccio, Mrs. W. H. Maguire, Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Neld, Mrs. F. L. Riggs, A. Runjahn, J. F. Shea, Mrs. Wm. Skel, Mrs. F. S. Smith, G. Talbot, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. J. Willis Wells.

DEPARTURES

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SHIPPING SHORTAGE

Chinese Concerned at Scarcity of Tonnage

The scarcity of tonnage is causing no little concern in Chinese circles and local merchants are already feeling the pinch. China's shipping industry has been crippled through constant commandeering of native-owned vessels and the sinking of others. Services have been dislocated and merchants in Shanghai are finding it impossible to despatch their goods to other ports, whilst those in the interior and the coast are facing equal difficulties in trying to ship their wares to Shanghai. At the present time, we learn from the Chinese press, there are no fewer than 50 vessels commandeered for the transportation of troops, in spite of a recent order of the National Government that they should be returned once to their owners.

Only five vessels which were seized some time ago have so far been returned and the Government has failed to pay anything in the way of "charter fees," as promised. Dealing with the tonnage scarcity question, the "Shunpo" says that, as a result of the various Chinese shipping hongas suspending their Yangtze services, foreign firms have increased their freight rates for Hankow by 25 per cent., whilst, for goods shipped to Hanyang, the usual rate of 55 per cent. over the usual is being collected. Such charges are far in excess of any that have been charged in the past. The same journal says that the British and French shipping companies are negotiating for an increase in the transportation charges for Chinese silk shipped to Europe, which, of course, will tend to affect the silk industry, though, in this respect, Chinese shippers will not be hit. Continuing, the "Shunpo" says that, because of the suspension of the Chinese shipping services between Shanghai and Manchurian ports, large quantities of flour, soya beans, etc., are lying rotting at Newchwang and Antung awaiting shipment. British and Japanese firms are taking advantage of China's weakness in this respect so they have placed more vessels on service and, during the past few weeks, over 200,000 bags of flour have been brought to Shanghai by the Chinese Navigation Company alone. Whilst on the question of China's vessels being placed on military service, it is interesting to know that General Chiang Kai-shek has telegraphed to Mr. Chao Tieh-chi, director-general of the China Merchants' S.N. Co., extending him for placing the company's vessels at the disposal of the Government for the transportation of troops and mentioning that, as soon as the Government troops have been mobilised, these vessels will be released.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fort and two children, who are stopping over at Hong Kong for a short visit. They have been on a tour of the Orient, of Miss Teresa Holt, en route to Yokohama.
Mr. L. Everett, en route to Shanghai, where he is connected with the steamship business.
Mr. George McPhee, who has been located with the Associated Oil Company of Manila as chief accountant. He is returning to the States to assume duties as travelling auditor for this firm on the Pacific Coast.
Mrs. Lillian B. Getzler, returning from a trans-Pacific tour.
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PROPOSED CHANGES IN NATIONAL PRACTICE
LONG BRITISH TRADITION

Wednesday, Oct. 9, was a critical occasion for all executive officers and pilots in the British Merchant Navy, as the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom called a meeting of British nautical organisations to decide what safe substitutes can be discovered for the time-honoured words of "port" and "starboard" when uttered by officer or pilot as helm-orders to the man-at-the-wheel. The reason that substitute words are necessary is that, under the recent Convention on Safety of Life at Sea, subject to ratification by Parliament, the contracting Governments agree that after midnight on June 30, 1931, helm or steering orders shall in all their ships be given in the direct sense—or, briefly stated, on the reversed principle as practised since wheels were introduced in the year 1705.

The Chamber of Shipping tentatively recommended three alterations:—
1. Steer Left. Steer Right.
2. Steer Port. Steer Starboard.
3. Left Port. Right Starboard.

It is added that "short of entirely new words, the use of the words 'Port' and 'Starboard' with such a prefix would reduce risks to a minimum." The Chamber further is "convinced that the mere retention of the words 'Port' and 'Starboard,' but with their meanings reversed, would lead to disaster."

Needless to say, masters, officers, and pilots who exclusively, as a class, are responsible for the safe manoeuvring of ships and are held accountable for every marine casualty, desire no additional risks, and in particular these involving risks of collision in these days of express speed and—as a writer has termed the large liners—"abnormal" manœuvres. From the earliest intimation that this helm-order change was due for discussion at the Convention on Safety of Life at Sea they took steps, through their representative organisations, to record an unqualified disapproval of it, and pleaded that a delegate to represent them might be appointed to the Convention.

"The New Despotism" was content to ignore up-to-date professional opinion on the subject, and with delegates not one of whom had current experience as a shipmaster, accepted the foreign-inspired idea of operating the helm, in future, on a universal principle—a principle, per se, not objected to by us, but with no advantages that we know of, and with none even claimed on its behalf that would justify the obvious risks entailed.

There is, exceptionally, no difference in opinion among experts on this point, as testified by officers and pilots' representative bodies throughout the Empire: a unanimous professional opposition for technical reasons, apart from the claims of tradition.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morning were:—
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North Arm: "Seraph."
In Dock: "Stormcloud," "Bruce," "Sirdar."

Talkoo: "Berwick."
No. 1 Buoy: "Hermes."
No. 5 Buoy: "Cornwall."
No. 7 Buoy: "Serapia."
No. 11 Buoy: "Sepoy."
No. 12 Buoy: "Thracian."
Whampoa Wharf: "Somme."
The only foreign man of war in port was the French gunboat "Vigilante."

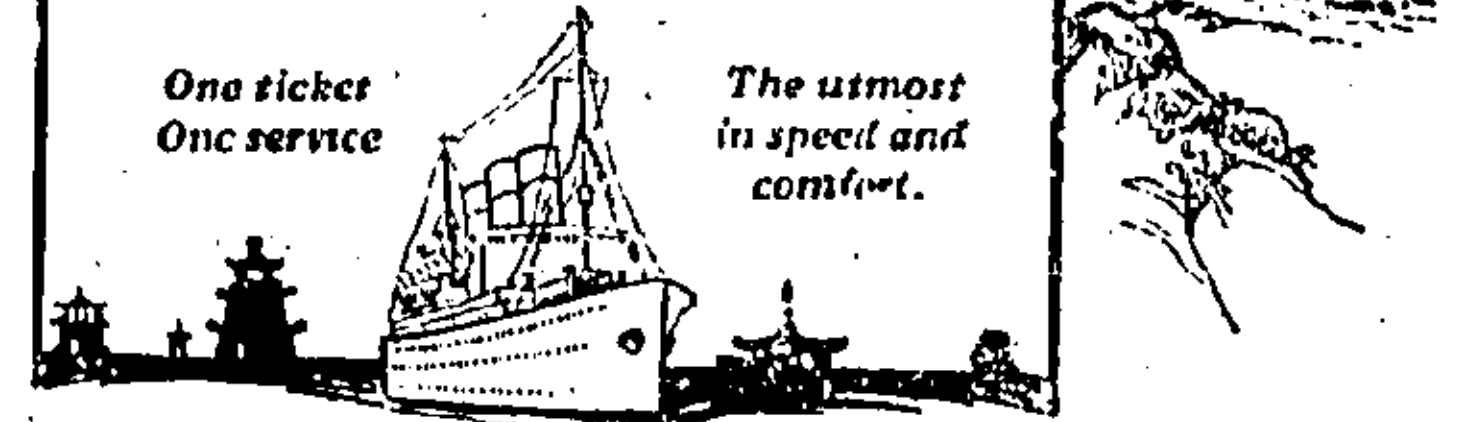
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PURCHASE OF GIRL

(Continued from Page 1.)

Going into the witness box the woman gave her name as Li Shu-ping, and in reply to Mr. Andrews said that she had visited the second floor of 20, Centre Street, on four different occasions, the last being on September 30, the day of the accused's arrest when she was accompanied by another woman, Shun Mui, who was present in Court but not called as a witness for the prosecution.

Wanted a Boy

Li Shu-ping told the Court that the two accused lived on the floor and she went there to buy a male child. The female accused spoke to her and told her that they had a male child but it was being kept elsewhere and it could be shown to her another time. The four-year-old girl was then offered to her for \$30. She in turn offered \$70 and a bargain was struck. The transaction had not been completed, however, when the Police raided the place. Then witness carried the child to the S.C.A.

By the Magistrate: Second accused did not mention any price for a male child because none was produced.

Saw Four Girls

Replying to Mr. d'Almada, witness said that she lived on the first floor of 92, Temple Street, Yaumati, and was a married woman. She was told of the place by a man in Un-long who had bought three children from accused. The first time she went to the house she saw the little girl and three bigger ones—two aged about 14 years and the other about 13. She did not see any boys at any time.

By the Magistrate: Witness had five children of her own.

Asked by Mr. d'Almada why she wanted to adopt another, witness said that she did not intend to adopt any. Some time ago her small boy was kidnapped and when she heard from the Un-long man that the accused sold children, she decided to do some spying in the hope of recovering her own son.

The New Ordinance

Mr. Andrews stated that Sergeant McKay had phoned to the S.C.A., with regard to the publication of the new Ordinance, and a clerk there said that he could not trace if the Ordinance had been published in any of the Chinese newspapers. However, the fact remained that it was published in the "Gazette."

Mr. Andrews submitted that he had successfully thrown the onus on the defence to show that the transaction was bona fide for the purpose of marriage or adoption only, as provided by the Ordinance.

The Deed of Sale

Mr. d'Almada submitted that the transaction with the Police informer never took place and the child was never transferred from the accused's custody.

Counsel then read from an English translation of the deed of sale of the child to the accused and emphasised that in the document the child's mother had stated that she sold the child of her own free will for \$30 because she had no means of supporting it. It also set out that the child had first been offered to the mother's relatives and when they would not have her she was sold through a go-between for \$30. It concluded "this is not a case of kidnapping."

Mr. d'Almada also pointed out that the informer had admitted that she had gone to the accused's house to spy and look for her kidnapped son. She had only pretended to bargain for the girl and before the transaction was completed the Police had arrived.

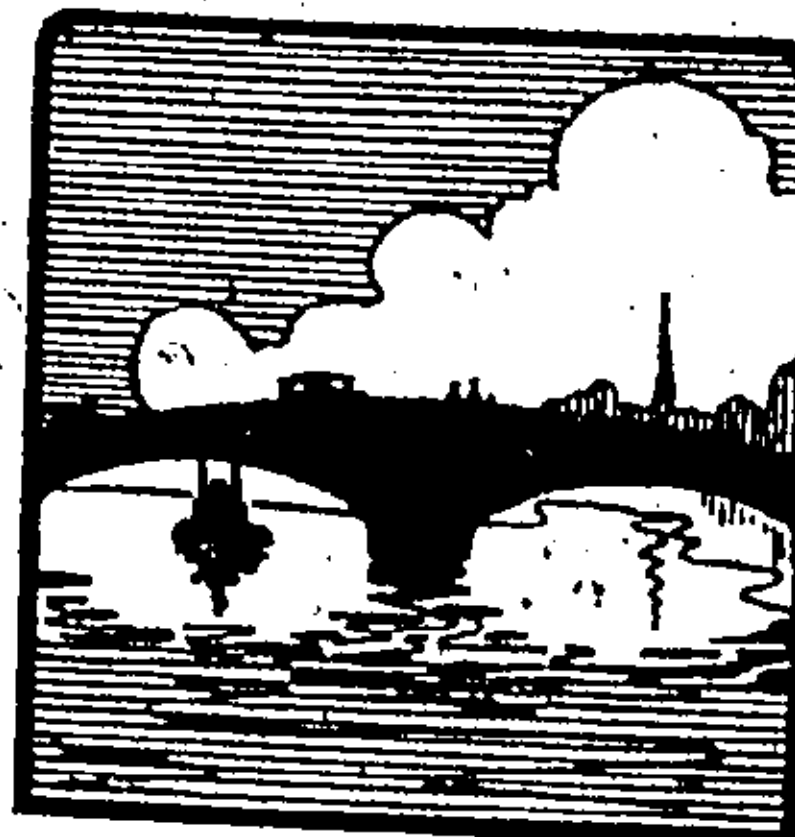
The Court's Ruling

His Worship decided that the accused had an onus to discharge, and accordingly Mr. d'Almada elected to call both his clients to give evidence.

The male accused said that he was the keeper of the Yue Hin Tong Seamen's boarding house and the woman was his concubine. He had children of his own. The woman, Li Shu-ping, had been to his place only once and that was on the date of his arrest. He never offered to sell the girl to the woman and when she asked him if he had any children he told her that he had none.

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He (accused) bought the little girl for \$30 to adopt as his own daughter. He had two daughters of his own besides several other children. The woman, Shun Mui, referred to by Li Shu-ping, had never been to his house.

Mr. Andrews said that it was a case of one person's word against another's and he could call Shun Mui to prove that she was there.

Mr. d'Almada retorted that it was too late now, the case for the prosecution having closed.

Mr. Hamilton, producing the six "deeds of presentation" found in the accused's box, asked "What about these, do they refer to a part of your large family?"

Accused: I bought those children last year on behalf of a friend.

The woman in the witness box also said that Li Shu-ping went to their house only once and that was on the date of their arrest. She did not know what Li Shu-ping came for because she did not speak to her. She (accused) certainly never offered to sell the girl to Li Shu-ping.

The Magistrate handed the seven "deeds of presentation" to the accused but she said that she did not know what they were because she was unable to read.

Mr. d'Almada again submitted that there was no evidence. The woman, Li Shu-ping, being an informer, had gone to the place for the purpose of making the prosecution. He asked his Worship to believe the accused's evidence.

Unbecoming Story

Mr. Hamilton decided that Li Shu-ping's story was a possible one, whereas the male accused's story was improbable, when he claimed that he had purchased the little girl to adopt as a daughter although he had two daughters of his own. It was an unconvincing story for a man in the accused's position. Besides, there were six documents relating to six other children found on the premises. He could not believe the accused and must convict them.

The Magistrate then pointed out that it had been open for the defence to plead that the law was new and they were ignorant of it.

Mr. d'Almada said that he had mentioned that point and his Worship had pointed out that ignorance was no defence and therefore he had sat down.

A Lot of Lies

Mr. Hamilton replied that that was so, but he supposed that Mr. d'Almada must have had his instruction from the accused with regard to the defence that was actually put up. Instead of pleading ignorance they had chosen to tell a lot of lies which showed their guilt.

First accused would be sentenced to three months' hard labour, and his concubine, who could be said to have under his influence, would go to jail for one month.

Statement to Press

In a subsequent statement to the Press, Mr. Hamilton said that Magistrates who had had to deal with such cases of trafficking in children had always regarded them as being "immoral," if he could use such a word, but they had had to act in accordance with the law. Now that it had been made utterly illegal to carry on such traffic the S.C.A. was determined to press all cases which came under their

notice, and, speaking for himself he could not speak for his learned brother Magistrates, he was equally determined, on conviction, to deal with offenders very severely.

The Press, Mr. Hamilton said—and he was referring particularly to the vernacular Press—could assist in the stamping out of this evil by publishing the information that any transfer of children for money was illegal. If they would do this they would be doing a great service to the community.

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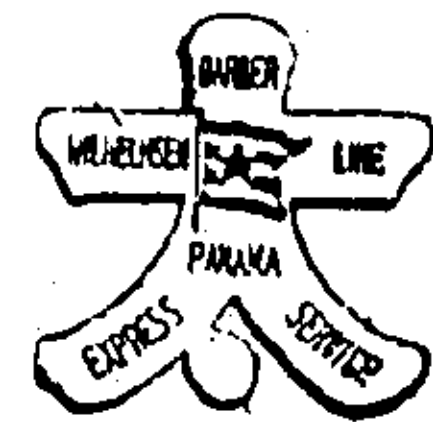
FOOD SHIPS

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Rugby, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons the Foreign Secretary was asked whether any response would be made to President Hoover's declaration with reference to the seizure of food ships in time of war.
Mr. Henderson replied that President Hoover had emphasised that he did not intend the words to be taken as embodying official proposals to any nation. No answer was therefore called for from the British Government, but the proposals would be examined by them.—British Wireless Service.

Professor Tuka, the distinguished Slovak scholar, and a leader of the Slovak People's party in Prague, was sentenced to fifteen years' rigorous imprisonment for high treason against the Republic and of espionage in the interests of Hungary.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten, Vacation judge, at his private residence, granted leave to issue summonses directed to Sir George Truscott and the Director of Public Prosecutions to show cause why bail should not be allowed Clarence Charles Hatry and his three co-defendants.



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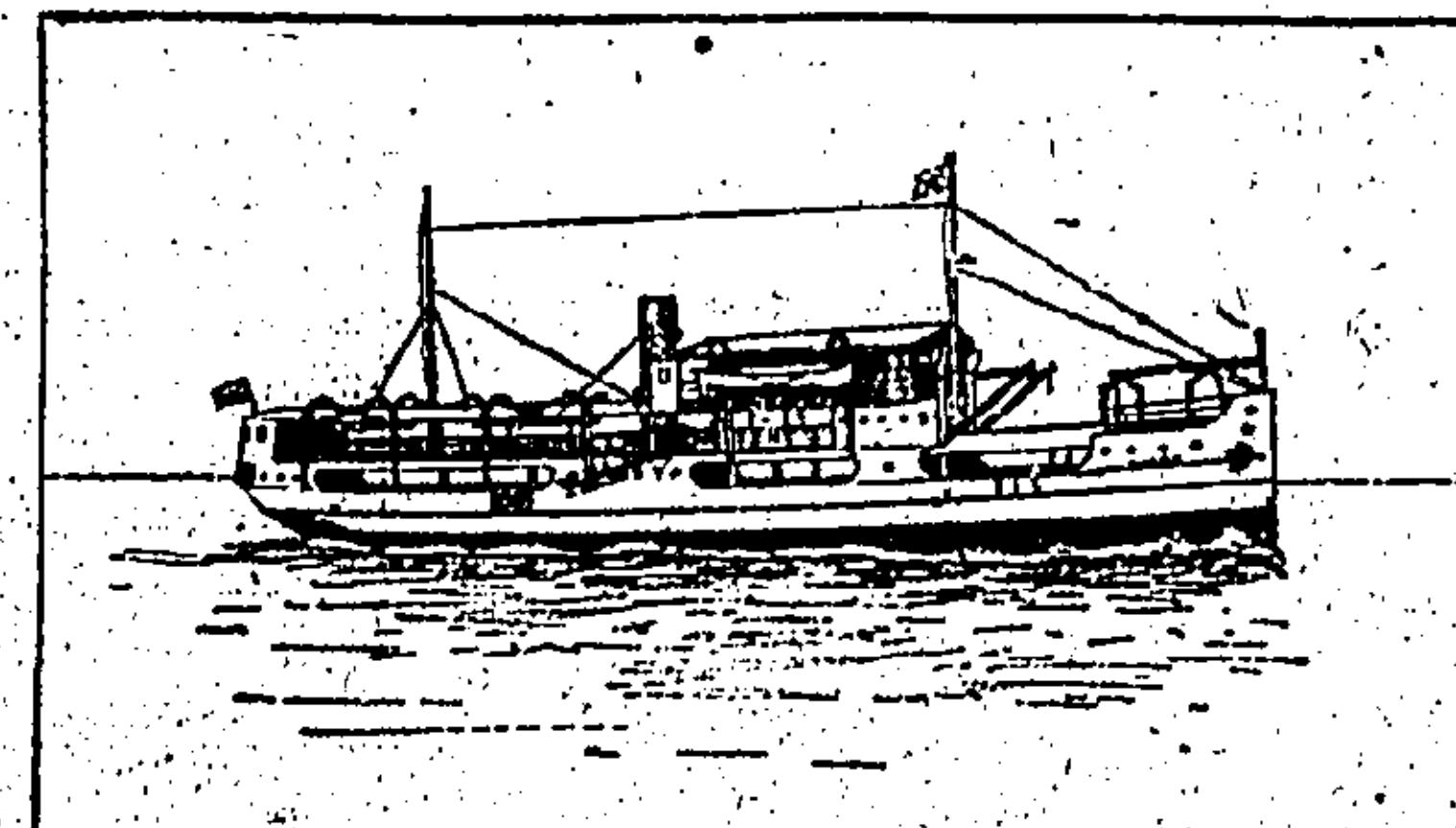
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		10 20	5.6	4 12	3.7
Wed. 20		1 8	4.7	m 6 3	0.7
		11 5	5.5	4 10	4.0
Thurs. 21		2 31	4.5	m 7 4	0.8
		11 03	5.2	4 10	4.3
Fri. 22		4 9	4.8	m 8 12	1.2
		10 51	5.1	4 6	4.6
Sat. 23		m 1 3	7.6	m 9 16	1.7
		10 47	7.0	m 10 34	1.7
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PASSING OF "T. P."

The great world of letters, and not merely the House of Commons, has lost a "Father" through the passing of Mr. T. P. O'Connor. Though he was made a Privy Councillor, for political services, politics never sufficed for his energies. He had been for two generations a great journalist, the "original and only begetter" of many excellent schemes, giving to what he had written an inexhaustible vivacity and a wonderful knowledge of all sorts and conditions of men. Our readers are well able to appreciate the eye for character, the experience of life, the vivid style, which characterised his work. Whether he was writing of books or men, of parties or individuals, whether his heroes were taken from affairs of State or finance or the world, he brought to his subject an unfailing interest and vigour, and whatever he wrote was inevitably readable. Not many men of letters have done as much as he to disseminate an understanding of his own time.

The initials of "T. P."—and it is good proof of a man's quality when such an abbreviation of his name is widely used—are familiar to many who know little of Parliamentary fame. He has been one of the most distinguished and the most popular of those who in our time have put knowledge of the world, knowledge of men and books and things, into a style which is easy reading. He wrote nothing. Indeed, with the exception of his dictionary and his "Father" and "The

his range was extraordinarily wide. His happiest work, as our readers know, was done in those character studies of all sorts and conditions of men and women into which he could put his multifarious acquaintance with the social life of many years and several countries, his shrewd and kindly appreciation of ability and temperament, and his relish for a good story and a striking episode. The "Father" of letters and of the House of Commons has had a full life, and for him we may amplify the old quotation and say that nothing human and nothing humane was ever outside his interests.

When, in 1923, Mr. O'Connor was the guest of honour at a gathering of all Parties at Westminster, he said he had been a journalist practically all his life and a politician during more than half, but he never wanted to be a politician, and never wanted to be a journalist because Lord Russell and Gladstone wanted to reduce the Franchise, and were beaten; for their defeat meant that he could not get a nomination for the Civil Service. And so he went into journalism—it was the only trade which did not require an entrance fee. Similarly he did not require an entrance fee. Similarly he went into politics through an Irish priest, a Scottish publisher, and the devastating effect on one of his friends and fellow-countrymen of an English barmaid with a V-shaped blouse. It was hard work to be a journalist, and a politician at the same; though in the days of his youth he managed it without any sense of fatigue. He entered Parliament when Parliamentary obstruction was the chief weapon of the Irish party, and he had to make his first speech in the House when he did not know whether he was on his head or his heels. Also, he had to speak several times, at least every night for several years. Members were always being warned not to speak too often; his experience would rather be that members who had any ability and any ambition ran greater risks in speaking too little than speaking too much. He had seen Parliamentary careers beginning in splendour and promise, and in neglect and failure simply because men ceased to take an active interest in Parliament, and ceased to speak when they had the opportunity. It was one of the curious laws of the House of Commons that men are often distinguished as they grow in confidence as their Parliamentary experience increases.

On the occasion of his being made a Privy Councillor, the London "Daily Telegraph" observed that he came into the House of Commons as a militant member of a party for which no Briton had a good word to say. He was one of the most adroit and strenuous of that ruthless band of debaters who, guided by the strategy of Parnell, went near to destroying the procedure of Parliament. The bitter strife of the past left no animosities. When we recall that he never changed his loyalties or his principles, that 1929 found him steadfast in the faith in which he entered public life, we have some measure of his humanity and his power of friendship. Irishman as he was, and insisted on being, "T. P." would himself allow that he was something more. He followed his last leader, John Redmond, in hearty endeavour for the cause of France and Britain and their Allies. No other course, indeed, would have been possible to him, for he was always a citizen of the world, a good European. Throughout his career the weaker States, the oppressed nationalities of Christendom, could be sure of finding him a zealous and trusty friend.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Mr. R. A. Dermot Forrest and Mr. A. H. Elston are returning to the Colony from Home leave next month.

Chang Wai-tang (45), a Chinese at 1, Belcher Street attempted suicide yesterday by taking an overdose of opium. He is now in the Government Civil Hospital in a serious condition.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of a Chinese named Cheung Kim-ping, stated to be the co-principal of the s.s. "Kochow," on a charge of the alleged embezzlement of \$1,000, the property of the Tak On Bank of Wuchow.

Amongst the successful sellers of Flanders poppies for the Haig Fund on Armistice Day was Master Desmond, son of Mr. W. J. Kerr, of Fanling, who collected no less than \$186.10 at the Golf Club. This was the second best return of the day, and much credit goes to the lad for his efforts.

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place in Hong Kong early in December, between Mr. Harry Owen Hughes, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Hughes; 402, The Peak, Hong Kong, and Miss Frances Isabel Oakley, daughter of Mr. H. E. Oakley, C.B.E., and Mrs. Oakley, of Berkhamsted.

There appeared recently in the London "Times" two remarkably good photographs taken from the deck of the destroyer "Stormcloud" as she was anchored in Victoria Harbour during the typhoon that swept across Hong Kong. They show the huge seas caused by the gale, and one of the pictures is enlarged to quarter-page size.

The Hong Kong Art Club is holding its annual exhibition on December 18, 19 and 20 in Pedder Building. The greater proportion of the work done by the members of the Club during the past year will be exhibited, and will include many sketches of local views in oil and water colour. There will also be an Arts and Crafts and Photographic Section.

Work has been in progress for some weeks on the covering up of the nullah at the junction of Nathan and Waterloo Roads, but is proceeding very slowly. This will be a great improvement when completed, as at present this is a blind corner to traffic approaching Nathan Road from Ho Mun Tin and Kowloon Tong. The renumbering of the houses in Kowloon Tong is now being carried out, which should enable strangers to find houses with less trouble than under the old scheme.

The friends of Mr. G. A. Henderson, well-known in the Colony and in the China Coast and as a Director and representative of Messrs. Charles Morgan & Co., paper merchants, will be interested to learn that he is recovering slowly from his long illness. He and his wife left Vancouver, after a stay of six weeks, in June, crossed Canada by easy stages, and arrived at Hong Kong early in July. To enjoy a wonderfully fine summer, a London heart specialist prescribed for Mr. Henderson complete rest and diet, and accordingly he has spent the intervening months in the country. He is now able to walk up to half a mile and expects to be fairly fit again by the Spring.

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

At this season of the year, when the harvest has been gathered in, the thoughts of our forefathers turned toward God with thanksgiving for the blessing of plenty and provisions against the needs of winter. They came by custom to look to the Chief Magistrate to set apart a day of prayer and praise, wherein their thanks as a united people might be given with one voice in union. God has greatly blessed us as a nation in the year now drawing to a close. The earth has yielded an abundant harvest in most parts of our country. The fruits of industry have been of unexampled quantity and value. Both capital and labour have enjoyed exceptional prosperity. Assurances of peace, at home and abroad, have been strengthened and enlarged. Progress has been made in provision against pestilence. Enlightenment has grown apace in new revelations of scientific truth and in diffusion of knowledge. Educational advance has been gained. Enduring advances have gained in the protection of the public health. Childhood is measurably more secure. New experience and new knowledge have been recorded; from which a deeper wisdom may grow. We should accept these blessings with resolution to devote them to service of Almighty God.

Now, therefore, I, Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, do appoint and set aside Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of November, as a day of national thanksgiving, and do recommend that all of the people on that day rest from their daily work. That they should extend to others less fortunate, and that they gather at their accustomed places of worship, there to render up thanks to Almighty God for his many blessings upon them, for his forbearance and goodness. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the great seal of the United States.

Done at the City of Washington, this fifth day of November, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and fifty-fourth.

HERBERT HOOVER.

LONDON HOSPITAL Viscount Knutsford's Appeal

By to-day's Home mail a number of local residents have received the following from Viscount Knutsford:—

London, Hospital, Whitechapel, E.1.
Dear Sir,—Forgive me if this trespasses. It asks a friendly glance at the Enclosure which so vividly illustrates a great work and a great need. I hate bothering people, but the need is so serious that I am driven to broadcast it. Will you overlook distance and help me, if you possibly can, in what really is a desperate hard job.

Yours very truly,
KNUTSFORD.

[The enclosure is a photo of a football match with the following letterpress: "An amazing crowd of 98,000 people. But all this number and 80,000 more were treated at the London Hospital last year."]

INSURANCE

"General" Announces Dividends

James H. Backhouse, Limited, the local agents, advise the "China Mail" that they have been notified by the head office of the General Accident, Fire, and Life Assurance Corporation, Limited, that the Directors have resolved to recommend the payment of the following dividends, subject to Income Tax:—An interim dividend of 2 1/2 per cent. on the Preference shares, and of 5/6 per share, compared with 5/- last year, on the Ordinary shares, both payable on November 1, 1929.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., and Lady Clementi are issuing invitations for a dance at Government House on December 12 at 8.30 p.m.

The next Congregation of the University of Hong Kong for the purpose of conferring degrees will be held at the University at 5 p.m. on Monday, January 16.

Latimont, New York, yesterday. The death is announced of Mr. John Corcoran, the theatrical producer, known as "American Service."

P'RAPS — P'RAPS NOT!

"Is that an Aberdeen family upstairs?"
"No—why?"
"They're raising such a commotion because the baby swallowed a penny."

"Am I the first girl you ever kissed?"
"No, but I am more particular now than I used to be."

Obadiah—"I think Peggy will make an ideal wife. Every time I go to her home I find her darned her father's socks."
Joshua—"That caught me until I noticed it was always the same sock."

The Height of Embarrassment
—Two eyes meeting through a keyhole.

"Papa, what's a net?"
"A net, my son, is a bunch of holes tied together by little pieces of string. Now, put up your books and run out and play a while."

Old—"Isn't Mrs. Smiley a happy woman?"

Older—"Yes isn't she? She is so happy she would have a good time thinking what a good time she would be having if she were having a good time."

Ambitious Writer—"Professor, I want some special training. I'm just itching to write!"

Staid Professor—"Well, why not sit down and scratch off a little?"

The teacher's thoughts were far away, but when he heard the boy read: "Here is a warm dough-nut; tread on it," he thought there was some mistake, and, glancing at the book, he saw: "Here is a worm; do not tread on it."

While walking by the canal two Jews saw a notice-board which stated that five shillings would be paid to whoever rescued another man from drowning. It didn't take them more than a minute to arrange that one should fall in and be saved by the other, and the reward divided. In went Cohen, who found it rather deeper than he had expected. However, he splashed about, crying: "Come on! Save me!" The other hesitated. "Cohen," he said, "I've been reading that notice-board again, and it says, 'Six shillings for a boy.' Now, do be reasonable."

A naval dignitary had a beautiful daughter. A young officer, with no resources but his pay, fell in love with her, and asked the old gentleman for her hand. The father at once taxed him with the fact that he had only his pay, hardly enough to keep him in white gloves and burnish his brass buttons.

"Well, sir, what you say is true. But when you married, you were only a midshipman, with even a smaller salary than mine. How did you get along? asked the officer, believing he had made the most diplomatic of defences.

But the crafty old sea-dog thundered: "I lived on my father-in-law for the first ten years, but I'll be changed if you are going to do it!"

TEN YEARS AGO

[From the "China Mail,"
November 19, 1919.]

To-day's dollar is worth 4/11 1/4d.

The annual dinner of the Church of England Men's Society at the Hong Kong Hotel last night was one of the most successful functions in the history of the Hong Kong Branch. The Bishop of Victoria presided and amongst those present were H.E. the Governor, H.E. Major-General Vantre, the Hon. Mr. Claude Severn, C.M.G., and many others.

In proposing the toast of the C.E.M.S. the Hon. Mr. Pollock said that he was convinced that the Society was doing a great deal of good in the Colony and he thought it was a great help to them. He had been told that every man was a good man, and that they had a rare important mission to perform in China, and that they should comfort themselves in a proper spirit because they were living amongst a race of men of very keen observation.

"UNDER THE SEA" NUMBER

AMAZING FOLLIES MUSICAL REVUE

"PEARL OF JAPAN"

A fascinating legend told in gorgeous settings makes up the "Under the Sea" number, one of the most brilliant achievements of the William Fox Movietone Follies of 1929, the gigantic musical revue of the screen now on view here.

This number is in three scenes, the principal one being a magic grotto beneath the sea, which is one of the most beautiful scenes ever shown on stage or screen.

A Japanese fisherman and his sweetheart, in the first scene, are casting their net. They make a big catch, and eagerly haul in their net.

They find they have caught a Lorelei. The fisherman is charmed by her beauty and permits the mermaid to lure him under the sea on the promise of her love. The little Japanese girl is heart-broken and tries to hold her lover back, but the spell of the Lorelei is too strong for her.

The next scene is the magic grotto and a marvelous sight is revealed as the Lorelei guides the fisherman to the bottom of the ocean. Beautiful girls intrigue the human visitor, but the Lorelei draws him on to see even more wonderful sights, at the same time eluding his passionate embraces.

Five sea urchins scampers from amidst the rocks and dance for the fisherman, then Lorelei shows her lover a treasure chest filled with golden coins. As he scoops up the treasure and lets it trickle through his hands, six gruesome skeleton dance about the intruder, menacing him with swords. More lancers appear until the grotto is fairly vivid with color and movement.

Leap Into The Sea

Just as Lorelei is about to succumb to the fisherman's embraces, the little Japanese girl, left alone on the land, despairingly casts herself into the sea, preferring death to life without her sweetheart.

He sees her tiny body whirling down through the water, and suddenly realises what a terrible mistake he has made. He flees from the siren's arms, seizes his sweetheart and swims rapidly to the surface with her.

Back to land again, the fisherman is seen drawing the girl from the water, and she begins to struggle feebly as life returns to her. They embrace, and promise each other eternal devotion.

Melva Cornell, Venus-like beauty with long luxuriant red hair, enacts the role of the Lorelei. Henry Molland is the fisherman and Paula Langlen plays the Japanese sweetheart. Iris Ashton, Lita Cheveret, Betty Becklaw and Lucile Jacques are the beauties. The dancers are Raymond Brown, Bernice Snell, Diana Dore, June Clory, Darline Addi-Muriel Gardner, Katherine Hankins, Lucille Day, Charlotte Hingel, Helen Son, Mae Madison, Helen Hankins, Louise Edna Livingston, Emily Renard, Paula Langlen, Darlene Ver Jean, Virginia Smith, Betty Kittredge, Margaret Florence, Peggy Malloy, Mavis Mays, Mildred Laub, Wilma Wray, Thelma Roberts, Julia Blake, Dot Darling, Adale Cutler and Babbie Hance.

Throughout the number run the strains of the theme song, "Pearl of Japan," written by Con Conrad, Archie Guttler and Sidney Mitchell.

GENEROUS FOLK**Ball in Aid of Destitute "White" Russians**

Preparations for the Grand Autumn Ball at the Majestic Hotel on November 22 in aid of destitute Russian children have been going ahead for many weeks. Mr. N. Sokolsky, ballet-master, is eager to show what he has achieved in a comparatively short time, and the children themselves are keen. There will be several charming new dances, and a number of young ladies, anxious to help the good cause, are giving their assistance. Mr. Sokolsky himself and his partner, Mme. Baranoff, will give one interesting number. Last year's Ball must be still in the minds of many, when a number of energetic people formed a committee to help simultaneously all the different Russian schools. The result was brilliant and surpassed all expectations. It has to be remembered that the education of the children of White Russians is, so to speak, nobody's business, and that not a single school exists by schools fees alone. The Majestic school, at 56 Route Ghisl, has its own energetic committee, which manages to make both ends meet every month. Thirty children at the French College are admitted to the school without payment and are provided with hot meals, which means that \$300 to \$400 have to be provided monthly. The first Russian School on Kungling Road is in the worst position, having been on the verge of closing down. Mme. Dietrich's baby class, where the children also receive a hot meal, is always in need of support and cannot take any more pupils. But the saying is true, but like most, it is saying true, Shanghai is a wonderfully generous city, and when one thinks that the situation has become quite hopeless, suddenly there comes along some phenomenal god-send, and gives new hope.

CONVERSION LOAN**Maturity of Cash Subscriptions**

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. Philip Snowden stated that the five per cent. conversion loan had resulted in £233,000,000, including £154,000,000 in cash subscriptions, £79,000,000 in five and a half per cent. Treasury Bonds, had been tendered. Cash subscriptions provided for the maturity of £30,000,000 in January, and February, and left a satisfactory sum for the reduction of the floating debt, while bonds taken in payment of the reduced amount may by maturity be considerably more than half-
—Reuter.

INDIAN DEBATES**Congress Views Them With Dissatisfaction**

Allahabad, Yesterday. The Conference of the signatories of the Delhi manifesto, unanimously declared that they viewed with misgiving and dissatisfaction the Indian debates in the British Parliament, but decided to stand by the manifesto, hoping for a full and early response. The Congress Working Committee held unanimously that the British Government's response to the Delhi manifesto should be further awaited before a policy was laid down and the manifesto revised.—Reuter.

NATIONAL APPEAL**Scots Asked To Support Fishing Fleet Fund**

Rugby, Yesterday. Mr. Adamson, Secretary for Scotland, announced that the Government had been in communication with the Lord Provosts of Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen, Dundee and Perth, who had agreed to issue an appeal to the people of Scotland to contribute to a national fund to replace the loss of nets by the Scottish fishing fleet in last Monday's gale.—British Wireless Service.

THE HOOVER POLICY**\$40,000,000 To Be Spent On Building**

Washington, Yesterday. As part of the Hoover policy to stimulate employment, the Treasury is submitting a Bill to Congress providing for a greatly increased Federal building programme in different parts of the country, expending \$40,000,000 on new buildings.—Reuter's American Service.

COSTES AGAIN**Famous Airman Lands at Karachi**

Karachi, Yesterday. Messrs. Costes and Ballante have arrived here from Calcutta, on a non-stop flight, to which point they flew from Hanoi in 17 hours non-stop.—Reuter.

NO CONFERENCE**President To Confer With Groups Separately**

Washington, Yesterday. Instead of the proposed White House Conference on economic questions, President Hoover has decided to confer with the group representatives separately, beginning on November 19, when he will meet the Eastern railway presidents, who alone are able to reach the city prior to attending an important gathering of railway executives at Chicago on November 22, at which they will be able to submit the results of their conference with President Hoover. The President, on Wednesday, will meet the bankers, manufacturers, and heads of great public concerns, the following day the agricultural leaders, and before the weekend the labour leaders. He hopes to prevent a volume of unemployment throughout the country following the break in the stock market, thus maintaining the people's buying power.—Reuter's American Service.

"RED" ATHEISM**First Anti-Religious University**

Leningrad, Nov. 10. The first anti-religious university in the world has been opened here with elaborate ceremonies in the huge building of the House of Culture. Named after Stepanoff Skvortsov, pioneer atheist in Russia, the new university began its sessions with 800 students, 47 of whom were women. The institution, its founders say, is intended to prepare a large body of anti-religionists and active propagandists of militant atheism.

RUSSIAN GUNBOATS ON SUNGARI**A POWERFUL FLOTILLA OUSTS CHINESE MARINES****UNEQUAL TERMS**

Harbin.—The party of journalists consisting of representatives of two American dailies, one Italian, Reuter's Mukden agent and two or more Chinese Southern papers are just back from their trip down the Sungari. They went as far as Fuchin only, where Admiral Shen, the Commander of the Sungari Fleet, had his headquarters, the latter deeming it unsafe to allow them to proceed to Lahasusu.

The Chinese Navy

The Chinese Navy put up a very good fight against heavy odds at the latter port, and suffered heavy losses. The Red gunboats had 6-inch guns, besides aeroplanes against the 3" guns of the Chinese. It appears that the marines who landed were practically wiped out by the Red troops. The latter went on to attack the Chinese troops on the hills behind the town, and the marines got them in the rear inflicting losses. The Chinese troops beat a hasty retreat, so that when the Reds turned back they overwhelmed the small force of gallant marines.

It is quite clear, that the Chinese squadron will have to retire when attacked by the Reds, whose strength is far superior in every way. It is interesting to know that the latter have six armour-protected vessels each carrying two 6-inch guns mounted in turrets fore and aft, and central turret with 3-inch guns. The warships are without funnels and driven by powerful oil Diesel engines, and by filling their two water-tanks are able to sink below water surface, their towers only remaining visible. Their draft is only five feet when afloat and 12 feet when submerged.

An Interesting History

The history of these boats is interesting. They were built at the Baltic Works in 1913 and sent out to Vladivostok. In 1915 when Admiral Kolchak was in charge of the Black Sea fleet their guns and engines were dismantled and sent to Odessa. In 1919 they were equipped with American guns at Vladivostok, and towed to the Amur where they were used as armed barges, without engines by the Whites against the Reds, into whose hands they fell. The latter in 1924 got new Diesel engines from Germany, so that the ships were restored to their original build, and are very much superior to any vessels the Chinese possess. They act as their own icebreakers thanks to their armoured hulls; the back tank is filled and the bow thus lifted is able to cut through the ice.

The Sungari will shortly be frozen over as ice is already appearing on the river banks. It is quite possible that before the river is frozen solid the Reds will make their base at Sansing and winter there, bringing a number of aeroplanes. The distance from Sansing to Harbin overland is 140 versts, so that the former will make a near base for Red aeroplanes if they operate in the C. E. R. Zone.

Chinese Tanks and Trucks

The Chinese have just sent to Sansing, by steamer five tanks, of American make, on which are mounted 3-inch guns. These arrived from Mukden.

Hitherto the Tsaitshar Governor has refrained from making any military purchases, everything being sent from Mukden, but recently he purchased some forty or more heavy trucks in Harbin, platforms to be built inside of ten days. There was no haggling over prices when the deal was put through the time of delivery alone counting.

Fuchin has been occupied by the Reds, without much fighting if reports, which are to hand are true. It is said their objective was to get grain and foodstuffs, after which they withdrew. The town is again in the hands of the Chinese, for a small force of troops in civil garb re-entered the town and found it devoid of Reds.

Well-to-do Chinese have for the past fortnight or more been leaving their homes on the lower Sungari. The Chinese authorities in order to stop a panic, however, have not allowed a lot of grain to be transported up-river, so that if the Reds actually go to Sansing, they will be well supplied with grain and fodder for the winter.

The Customs staff at Lahasusu, on the first day of the bombardment left the town, making their way overland to Fuchin, after a very hard trip overland and then taking boat to Harbin.

Criticism of the authorities regarding the campaign in Gallipoli for not having sought advice from those who had recent and personal knowledge of the difficulties concerned, are made in the current issue of the "Army Quarterly" by Lieut-Colonel J. G. Gilling, O.M., who was British Military Attaché at Constantinople in 1914.

SHADOWS BEFORE.**COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN "CHINA MAIL"****Social Functions**

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel 4.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dance at Repulse Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Entertainments

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Follies of 1929."

To-day—Star Theatre; "The Cowboy Kid."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Veiled Woman." (Continuous performance from 1.15 to 11.15 p.m.).

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Gold Rush."

Home Mall

To-day—Inward from America and ports ("Shinyo Maru").

Lammerts' Auction

To-morrow—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, miscellaneous goods, 11 a.m.

Sport

To-morrow—Interport Tennis: Hong Kong C.C. ground, 3 p.m.

Meetings

November 21—Hong Kong Horticultural Society Meeting at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, 5.15 p.m.

November 21—St. John's Cathedral Extraordinary Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous

To-day—Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society Reel Practice, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

To-day—Helena May Institute Lecture on "Impressions of Java," by Dr. G. A. Herklotz, 5.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association "At Home," Helena May Institute, 4.30 p.m.

IN OTHER PLACES**Chronicles From Japan To-Java**

Mrs. Ralph Gray Hemmings (nee Hollinger), of Muncie, Indiana, who has been making a leisurely world tour, is now visiting Dr. Anne Walter Fern at the Cathay Hotel, Shanghai.

Members of the Bureau of Public Safety succeeded in rounding up hundreds of beggars in various parts of the Municipality on Sunday last. All were sent to the Shanghai and Wosung Benevolent Institute to be cared for and trained.

Mr. Frank S. Williams, Registrar of the China Trade Act and American Trade Commissioner, returned to Shanghai on November 11, on the "President Monroe" from Tokyo where he has been attending the World's Engineering Conference.

Col. Yuan Liang, Commissioner of Public Safety for Greater Shanghai, has ordered his subordinates to take care always to see that their rifles and pistols are in working condition. Those who are found negligent in this respect will be punished.

A gent send-off was given on November 7 at Hankow to Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Drake who left for Shanghai on the "Kungwo." Colonel Li Fong, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, was in attendance. Mr. Drake for the last seven years had been Departmental Manager of the British Cigarette Co. and has been transferred to the Shanghai office.

According to the "Sinwapeo," an accident occurred at Zaukazah, Pootung, last Sunday, in which a foreigner was involved. The foreigner was engaged in hunting when he accidentally touched the trigger of his rifle and wounded a Chinese girl and killed a goat. He was at once arrested and sent to the Greater Shanghai Bureau of Public Safety.

Miss Kathleen O'Shaughnessy, private secretary to Mr. J. Van A. MacMurray, the United States Minister to China is leaving Peking at the end of this month or the first of December on her way home to the United States after a residence of several years in the North. Miss O'Shaughnessy travels home by way of Suez, making several stops in Europe, and will proceed to her home in Wareham, Mass. Her departure is regretted by a large circle of friends.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**PUBLIC AUCTION**

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON SATURDAY, November 23, 1929, commencing at 11 o'clock a.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

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Hong Kong, Nov. 19, 1929.

One of the Northern vernacular papers gives a native explanation of General Yang Sen's affirmation of loyalty to the Central Government. It says that the loyalty is conditional upon the receipt of \$300,000 as evacuation expenses.

The American Consulate General at Hankow is interested in obtaining information regarding the whereabouts of Mr. Irving Williams and his wife, Ethyl Carver Williams, and C. C. Christopherson, and his wife, Marie C. Christopherson. Any particulars regarding the present whereabouts of the above named persons will be appreciated.

The Commissioner of Education for Greater Shanghai has issued an order pointing out that schools nowadays are holding too many concerts which are interfering with students' lessons. In future, he says, such concerts must be limited and students must not be permitted to forsake their studies in order to practise for concerts.

The scarcity of rice has been causing anxiety in Canton as well as in Shanghai. There has been a great decrease in arrivals of rice in Canton from Siam, and according to travellers from that country, on account of the poor production of the third crop due to the long drought, an embargo upon exportation has been laid by the Siamese Government. So little rain has fallen during the past four months in Siam that the outlook for the planting of the fourth crop is far from satisfactory.

BUSINESS TAX**Suggestions Made For Their Levy**

Canton, Yesterday. Mr. Fan Ki-mo, the Provincial Treasurer, in a petition to the Executive Yuan, suggested the levying of business taxes and the making of some arrangements regarding the municipal constitution in Kwangtung. In reply, the Executive Yuan pointed out that the application in question had been handed to the Ministry of Finance for investigation, and that the proposals to the alteration of the municipal constitution did not comply with some of the articles of the Law, and are not to be carried out for the time being.—Canton News Agency.

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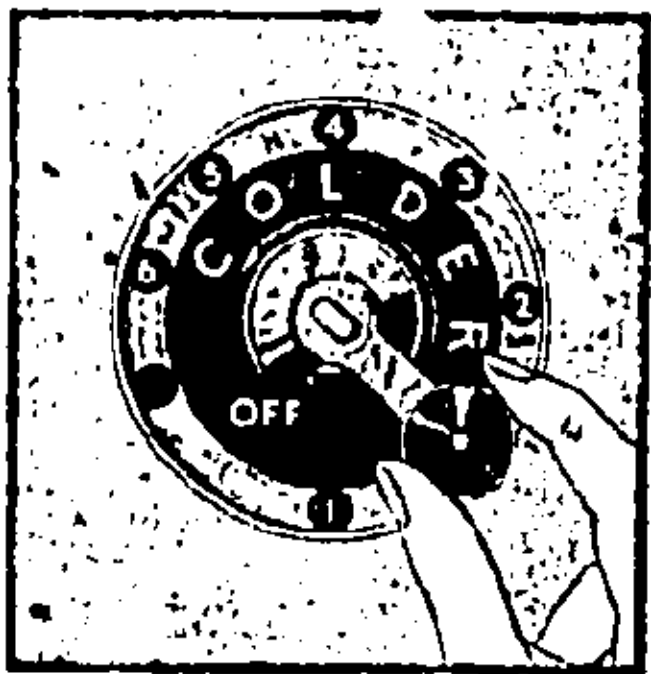
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C.M.S. RETRENCHMENT

Preaching in St. John's Cathedral on Sunday evening the Dean (the very Rev. A. Swann) said:—
"You Parsons are always talking about money!"

That is a fairly common accusation, but as a matter of fact it is not the case. It is probably true to say that when we do talk about money folks are apt to pay attention. And, also, if people would give more thought to the Church's need of money we should not have to talk about it at all.

This applies to the Cathedral at the present time. It is precisely because we believe that the Cathedral's financial position is not understood that we feel obliged to explain the situation.

It is, I think, not generally recognized that our present income, notwithstanding Sir Paul Chater's generous endowment, is not nearly sufficient to meet our present obligations. We have recently had to sanction a very considerable increase in expenditure.

For instance, we have lately appointed a second Assistant Chaplain to take charge of St. Peter's Church. Apart altogether from the added strength which his ministry will give to St. Peter's, it was essential to secure a priest for this work, because for various reasons this Church will no longer be able to depend on the very generous help hitherto given by numerous clergy. The new Chaplain was appointed in the nick of time.

Again, for a limited number of years the Cathedral is making a grant to the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, which is a quite unusual expenditure, necessitating from people of goodwill additional support.

Further, the Diocese of Victoria, Hong Kong, of which St. John's Cathedral is the Mother Church, has recently suffered a severe blow in the retrenchment which the Church Missionary Society has been forced to make. We feel that the Cathedral should do its utmost to make good as large a part as possible of the deficit thus caused.

These are new obligations, accepted as justifiable by those whom the Cathedral Congregation elects to represent them. And yet, instead of receiving increased support, we have experienced the reverse. Collections have been smaller although Congregations have been larger.

No doubt "different times" have something to do with this; but entertainments are apparently little reduced, and it seems a pity that work for the Kingdom of God should be the first to suffer.

Lack of Understanding

The cause, I fancy, however, is more a lack of understanding than inability to help.

I think a reminder is also necessary that the Church is intended to be an Active Society, and that it fails if not composed of people actively keen on its work, and ready for sacrifice in its service. We have good news for a world bewildered by much unrest and suffering, a message of peace and goodwill and power to effect these. The Church's work is to be active in bringing the Spirit of Christ into all life, to point men and women towards the ideal of life set up by Christ and to link them onto the Supreme Source of Spiritual power which enables them to practise these.

This Cathedral Church is here to do this for Hong Kong and the Diocese of Victoria. We are here to uplift the life of this place, to be a centre for all who desire to follow after Goodness as Christ revealed it, and also—perhaps most of all—to be a means of winning those who at present do not value the things of God.

Perhaps some think that we are going about this in the wrong way. There may be some criticism of our arrangements of Services for instance. We certainly have our faults. None are more conscious of this than the clergy. But we are doing all we can to make the presentation of Christ's religion here genuine and intelligible. We are trying to clothe ancient truth in language and forms of worship which are in harmony with the best modern knowledge and thought.

There has been some criticism of our music—especially our hymns. We appreciate fully the appeal of the familiar, but we find it hard to believe that thoughtful people can fail to realize that much of the 19th Century expression of religion, which perhaps was profitable for our grandparents, does little but harm to-day. Yet some of us have adopted these expressions and cling to them, in spite of the fact that we do so more from mere habit and old association than from conviction.

Unthinking Religion

But that sort of habitual, unthinking religion has no power in the thoughtful, analytical age in which we live. We feel to-day that there was in our grandfathers' time too much of the amiable idea of the Church, too little of the Active Army of the living God, too little of the spirit of adventure for truth and goodness.

We are, therefore, deliberately choosing our hymns, etc., now with the intention of emphasizing the Active Character of the Church. We are trying to secure that we sing only what thoughtful people can really mean, and we are choosing music made available for us by the best leaders of Christian musical art of to-day.

I have spoken of this because I think it possible that some may be withholding their support of the Cathedral's work because they have not yet seen the point of what we are doing. I would ask such, if there be any, to believe that we are actuated by no motive but a keen desire to make our worship the expression of a healthy and vigorous religion such as the world needs, and such as can appeal to men and women who are not helped at all by some of the older forms. If we are credited with this intention I feel sure that people of goodwill will back us up.

Now for the actual financial position. Our commitments (without extravagance) are much greater than our present resources. We expect to be about \$10,000 down at the end of this year. Our present donations, subscriptions and offerings are quite insufficient to meet the need.

No Pew Rents

Pew rents cease with this year. But this is a comparatively small matter. It is recognised that a seat-holder is helping the Cathedral's finances to the extent of less than 20 cents per week? We pay more for one journey in the Peak tram than we have been giving for a place in the Cathedral for a week.

The amount received from pew rents has not been large—about 5% per cent. of our expenditure. I believe that the loss of such an amount will prove to be overwhelmed by the gain of being able to welcome the visitor and the stranger to every place in the Cathedral.

No, an altogether new and greater source of income is required. To secure this we suggest for next year and afterwards a new Finance Scheme.

In devising this scheme we have had in mind certain principles:—

1. That people of Goodwill will give liberally when they fully appreciate a need.
2. That any giving is best done when it is thoughtful and systematic.
3. That people who truly value their religion will be prepared to make sacrifices to provide its benefits not only for themselves but for others also.

Understanding Produces Liberality
When David prepared to build the Temple he made sure that his people understood the need for such an effort. Then he appealed with confidence for backing and got it.

Our scheme first makes provision for our people really to know the need. Before the end of this and each year we shall put into your hands a simple statement both of our known resources and also of our commitments. We shall include in one Budget the amount of money we shall need for Cathedral Expenses and also the amount that we, as a Congregation, ought to give towards the extension of the Church's influence. We shall show you exactly how much we must resolve from Subscriptions and Offerings to meet all these needs. Then we shall, in effect, ask the same as David did. "Who then offereth willingly?" And we hope that we shall have occasion to rejoice as David and his people did when they saw a great response. "Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with a perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord, and David the King also rejoiced with great joy."

Giving—Thought and Systematic
Do you remember how St. Paul wrote to the Church at Corinth when he wanted money for the help of the Church at Jerusalem? "Concerning the collection for the saints, as I have ordered to the Churches of Galatia, so also do ye. Upon the first day of the week let each one of you lay by him in store, as he may prosper, that no collections be made when I come." St. Paul knew it was much easier to give small amounts regularly

than large amounts at any one time. He had little faith in spasmodic special appeals, so he asked his people to put each week what they could afford, and thus avoid a special whip round when he came.

Our scheme, therefore, makes provision for such regular giving. Hitherto, in order to get funds for worthy objects, we have had to keep on making special appeals. The Diocese, Hospitals, and various Societies have been supported thus. The result has seldom been satisfactory, because only those present at Church on the day of the appeal had an opportunity to give.

Under the new plan we hope to dispense with such appeals. If people will really give regularly, week by week or month by month, what they can honestly afford, we shall get for these objects, and for our own needs as well, far more than before. This has been experienced in hundreds of parishes in England. My parish in Yorkshire at once doubled its income when it adopted this method.

But notice also that St. Paul does not ask that each shall give "as he may prosper," i.e., in proportion to his income. If we are to do this we need to give real thought to our giving, and, after honest examination of our income, decide upon our due proportion.

We are inclined, I fancy, to stick unthinkingly to some accustomed figure. We may be in the habit of giving 10 cents or \$1 or \$5 when we come to Church. But mere habit is not a good enough guide. Each of us ought to weigh up our total income and decide quite honestly what is our necessary expenditure and then settle what proportion of the balance we should give to the Church of which we are members—taking into consideration, of course all other calls upon our charity.

Methods Suggested

Therefore, before adopting one of the methods of giving which our scheme provides, we ask all to do some honest thinking, so that each shall do his truly proportionate part in forwarding the Cathedral's work in this Colony and Diocese and elsewhere.

Then you may give in one of the following ways:—

Bankers' Monthly Orders, Weekly Envelopes, Annual Cheques.
The Managers of the local banks have very kindly given permission for any who have accounts with them to sign an order requesting that a certain amount be credited to St. John's Cathedral Goodwill Account every month until further notice. I think that many people will find this a very convenient and reasonable method of helping. It is much easier for most to give a small amount each month than a considerable sum at any one time.

Those who prefer to do so may give by means of weekly envelopes. Each person who chooses this method will be supplied with fifty-two envelopes, and will each week put his contribution into the envelope bearing the date of the Sunday of that week. He will then bring his envelope to Church and put it into the Alms bag. If he should be absent for one or more Sundays he will bring the envelopes for the intervening period, realising that the work of the Church goes on whether he can get to Church or not. Collections will be made as hitherto, but those who are using one of the other methods will not be expected to give by loose cash.

Those for whom it is convenient to give a large sum at once may contribute by annual cheque. But few will be able to give as much by this method as by one of the others.

It may be interesting to see how this scheme would work out if supported in the following way.

If 25 give \$10 per month
50 give \$5 per month
50 give \$1 per week
50 give 50 cents per week
5 give \$200 per year
10 give \$100 per year.

Then the total would be \$12,000 per annum and the Cathedral would be in a strong position. Even in a fluctuating community such as ours these methods may surely be successful. It will be of great assistance if people here only for perhaps a few months will join the scheme. In any case, let each lay by him in store as he prospers.

Readiness for Sacrifice

When David wanted to build an altar for the worship of God he refused to secure it without making some sacrifice. And Araunah said "All this, O King, doth Araunah give unto the King." "Nay, but I will verify it of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God which cost me nothing." After I recently made a statement in the Cathedral of the financial position I received a generous gift of \$200 from an individual of slender means. Such a sacrifice was, as you can imagine, a great encouragement.

If we truly value the rich inheritance of truth and beauty of worship that is ours we shall be ready to make sacrifices to secure these benefits both for ourselves and for others—and especially for others if we have in us the Christian Spirit.

We are, I think, a little apt to take our religious privileges for granted. There is little doubt that the Charter Endowment has encouraged this attitude. Endowments, of course, are an invaluable help, but if they tend to kill the spirit of willing sacrifice they will in the end do more harm than good. It is hardly fair to allow the freedom from anxiety which they give us to cause us to sit back and take our Church for granted. The Spirit of Sacrifice is the essence of Christianity. It is the expression of the Spirit of Love. A Church or Congregation which is glad to make sacrifices will always be able to do so in any place. Wherever we are, our spirit will be a nonentity. Therefore, as we settle what we are going to give let us, for God's sake, be willing to give that which really costs us something. And remember that the need is urgent, and let each of us, honestly, do our utmost to meet it.

HONG KONG SHARE MARKET.

To-day's Deals and Quotations.

Stock.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Net	Paid up Value	Highest & Lowest 1928-29.	Dividend.
Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank	...	1855	...	...	\$125	1.385-1.150	\$3 Int. 1929
(Lon. Reg.)	...	...	...	1291	...	...	...
Chartered Bank	19	...	...	...	25	21.15-18.03	7 1/2 Int. 1929
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	...	...	...	302	\$12.10	311-300	8 1/2 Int. 1929
Do., C. I.	...	...	...	151	...	151-191	8 1/2 Int. 1929
Bank of Asia	35	...	...	...	\$100	100-67	8 Int. 1928
Insurance.							
Canton Ins.	695	...	...	...	\$100	730-590	40 1928
Union Ins.	...	360	358	...	24	\$300-297	23 1928
North China Ins.	160	...	...	...	\$15	7160-120	20 1/2 1927
Yangtze Ins.	M.5	...	50	...	\$10	50-83	M.35.50 1928
China Underwriters	...	21	...	...	\$3	2.90-1.75	...
China Fire Ins.	310	...	...	...	\$30	310-204	18 1928
H. K. Fire Ins.	...	...	...	315	\$50	825-662 1/2	43 1927
Shipping.							
Douglases	...	...	...	27	\$50	41-27 1/2	4 1921
H. K. Steamships	...	...	...	261	\$15	30-29 1/2	1 1928
Indo China (Pref.)	10	...	...	...	\$5	\$24-30	12 1/2 1926
(Def.)	...	...	...	70	\$5	100-40	...
Shell Transport & ...	...	...	...	361	\$1	118-175	5 1/2 1928
Union Waterboats	...	...	...	22	\$7	94-17	1.50 1928
Mining.							
Benguet	440	...	...	...	P0.10	\$4.80-1 1/2	0.25 1929
Kailan Mining Ad. ...	...	...	...	563	...	...	2 1/2 Int. 1929
Langkan (Com.) ...	...	...	...	12.50	Qrs. 10	181-9 1/2	...
(Single) ...	...	...	...	7 1/2	...	...	...
S'hai Exploration ...	...	...	...	130	\$5	4.10-1.40	...
Loans ...	...	...	...	5	...	8.75-4 1/2	7.75 1926
Ruby	10.60	...	...	...	\$1	\$10.25-8 1/2	24. 64. 1929
Tienchi Mines ...	...	...	...	21/-	5/-	...	44. 1929
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & K. Wharves ...	...	...	...	1471	\$50	1481-120	8 1928
H. K. & W. Docks ...	...	35	...	...	\$50	441-32 1/2	4 1924
China Godowns ...	...	5.50	5.15 1/2	...	\$6	6.00-3.90	1.20 1924
Hongkong ...	...	...	...	190	\$100	\$100-125	73 Int. 1928
N. Engineering ...	...	...	...	71	\$5	8.60-4.60	0.40 1928
Shanghai Docks ...	...	...	...	100	\$75	145-89 1/2	7 1/2 1929
Cotton Mills.							
Ewo Cottons ...	151	...	...	...	\$5	23.10-7	70.40 Int. 1929
S'hai Cottons (old) ...	77	...	...	...	\$70	104-45 1/2	4 1/2 1929
(new) ...	...	...	...	50	\$75	70-22 1/2	4 1/2 1929
Zwong Sings ...	...	...	...	91	\$10	18-5	6 1/2 1926
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.							
H. K. & S. Hotels ...	10.60	...	...	...	\$10	11.10-7 1/2	1.20 1924
H. K. Lands ...	...	56	...	...	\$25	681-32	2 Int. 1929
Shanghai Lands ...	...	...	...	161	\$70	105-124	73 Int. 1929
Humphreys ...	...	...	...	141	\$10	181-13	1 1928
H. K. Realities ...	...	2.15	...	...	\$10	9.85-7 1/2	0.80 Int. 1928
Chinese Estates ...	...	38	...	...	...	...	4 1928
Public Utilities.							
H. K. Tramways ...	10.15	...	...	...	\$5-	27 1/2-18	0.50 Int. 1929
Peak Tram (old) ...	...	...	...	111	\$10	14-11.80	10 1/2 1929
(new) ...	...	...	...	5.05	\$5	9-50 1/2	1.05 1929
Star Ferry ...	...	71	...	...	\$10	74 1/2-58	3.50 1928
Ch. Light (old) ...	101	...	...	...	\$5	17.50-01	8 1/2 Int. 1929
(new) ...	16.80	...	...	...	\$5	10.80-5.50	5 1/2 Int. 1929
H. K. Electric ...	361	66	...	...	\$10	67 1/2-47 1/2	2.50 1929
Macao ...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sanctuary Lights ...	24	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Telephone ...	7.80	...	...	...	\$2.50	8.90-8.09	4 1/2 Int. 1929
China Bus ...	151	...	...	...	...	...	...
S'hai Traction (Ord.) ...	10/-	...	...	...	\$1	12 1/2-10 1/2	8 1/2 Int. 1928
(Pref.) ...	20/-	...	...	...	21	1-105. 6d.	5 1/2 1928
Industrials.							
China Sugars ...	...	80 c.	...	...	\$25	13.00-0.00	In Liquidation 1928
Malayan Sugars ...	...	...	27	...	\$80	80-17	...
Cal. Mag. Ord. ...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...
Pref. ...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...
Canton Ice ...	...	...	24	...	\$10	41-11 1/2	0.00 1925
Cement (comb.) ...	12.85	...	21	...	\$81	14.00-7.70	0.90 1925
(old) ...	...	...	91	...	\$71	810-01	0.80 1925
(new) ...	...	...	3	...	\$1	8.00-0.80	0.10 1925
H. K. Ropes ...	...	8 1/2	...	...	\$10	9.00-01 1/2	1.25 1924
United Asbestos ...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stores, &c.							
Dairy Farms ...	...	21	...	...	\$7 1/2	28 1/2-15 1/2	1.25 1928
Watsons ...	...	12	...	...	\$10	15-11 1/2	0.30 1928
Der A. Wings ...	...	...	80 c.	...	...	...	...
Lane Crawford ...	1.95	...	...	...	\$6	4-1 1/2	0.30 1926
Macintosh ...	18	...	...	...	...	...	2 1928
Sincere ...	...	12	...	...	\$10	12-7.75	10 1/2 1928
Wm. Powells ...	2 1/2	...	...	...	\$2	5 1/2-1 1/2	0.15 1929
Miscellaneous.							
H. K. Amusements ...	...	...	29	...	\$5	8 1/2-22	3.50 1929
H. K. Construction ...	...	...	1.30	...	\$10	1.50-1 1/2	1.50 1929
H. Ind. G.S. Bonds ...	...	...	90 1/2	...	...	...	...
H. K. Govt. Loans ...	31 1/2	Perm.	...	...	...	...	...

Sport Columns

FOOTBALL

Shameen Match In The League

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, Yesterday.
On Saturday afternoon H.M.S. "Tarantula" beat H.M.S. "Moorhen" by 5 goals to 1.
The final score is by no means a good test of their respective strength. During the first half "Moorhen" decidedly had the better of the play and scored their only goal, leading at half-time by 1-0. The second half was also very even "Moorhen" being very lucky to get 5 goals in the half. "Moorhen's" defence was a bit groggy and their goalie let in a couple of easy shots, but despite that they were unfortunate to have lost the match.
This defeat definitely puts "Moorhen" out of the running for the League Cup.

GOLF

Championship Semi-final In Canton

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, Yesterday.
The result of the semi-final round of the Golf Championship at Tungshan was rather a surprise. J. T. Smith beat W. Gilman by 8 and 6, as was expected; but the defeat of J. M. Walker by L. H. Ruffin 2 and 1 was unforeseen.
The final should be interesting. It will be played off on Sunday, 24th inst. over 36 holes. J. T. Smith, who is a 5 handicap man, should win, though Ruffin's win over Walker might mean that he will continue to play good golf and beat Smith. He is a 13 handicap, which is the first time such a high handicap player has come through to the final at Tungshan.

GOLF COMPETITION

The Draw for the Jasper Clark Cup

The draw for the Jasper Clark Cup and starting times for Sunday, November 24, are given below:
It is requested that any scratchings may be notified to the Secretary as soon as possible.

Afternoon starting times will be reserved; players starting in the order in which they finish their morning round. Times will be booked by the Superintendent.

9.25 a.m.—J. W. Franks, K. S. Robertson.
9.30 a.m.—J. S. McLaren, R. Young.
9.35 a.m.—J. M. Walker, I. H. Geare.
9.40 a.m.—T. C. Monaghan, J. L. Shellshear.
9.45 a.m.—O. E. C. Marton, K. L. Dugan.
9.50 a.m.—G. S. Archbutt, D. M. MacDougall.
9.55 a.m.—C. E. Holmes, K. S. Morrison.
10.00 a.m.—R. D. Wrigley, G. R. Horridge.
10.05 a.m.—A. B. Purves, Major Beannish.
10.10 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman, A. D. Humphreys.
10.15 a.m.—F. J. de Rome, W. M. Thomson.
10.20 a.m.—Comdr. Brown, R. K. Hepburn.
10.25 a.m.—E. Davidson, O. Eager.
10.30 a.m.—H. U. Ireland, W. L. Dunbar.
10.35 a.m.—E. D. Lawrence, G. W. Sewell.
10.40 a.m.—E. des Voeux, A. O. Brawn.
10.45 a.m.—D. J. Gilmore, E. D. Matthews.
10.50 a.m.—T. S. Whyte-Smith, A. T. Lay.
10.55 a.m.—T. G. Bennett, A. G. Coppin.
11.00 a.m.—G. W. Tate, N. L. Smith.
11.05 a.m.—L. G. S. Dodwell, A. H. Ferguson.
11.10 a.m.—C. Bulmer Johnson, D. G. MacDonald.
11.15 a.m.—I. W. Shewan, L. R. Andrewes.

YACHTING

Results of First Ladies' Championship Race

In the first Ladies' Championship Race yesterday "La Linda" secured the verdict in the "H" class and "Boojum" in the "I.Y. and G" class.
The course was: 1 Lyman Beacon (P.), 2 Mark on Line (P.), and 3 Channel Rocks (P.).
Results were as follows:—

	"H" Class	TIMES.
Finished.	Corrected.	
Diana (4)	4.59.34	4.56.28.5
Colleen (2)	4.59.49	4.55.50.3
La Linda (1)	4.51.04	4.48.25.3
Dorothea (3)	5.00.21	4.55.51.5
Started 3 p.m.		

	"I.Y. and G" Class	TIMES.
Finished.	Corrected.	
Daphne (4)	5.13.15	Scratch
Why Wonder (5)	5.21.49	"
Wings (2)	5.04.43	"
Boojum (1)	5.04.07	"
Speedwell (3)	5.04.49	"
Adanac (6)	5.25.13	"
Started 3.05 p.m.		

HOCKEY

St. Andrew's Club v. Y.M.C.A.

The following have been selected to represent the St. Andrew's Club XI in a hockey match to be played against the Y.M.C.A. XI on the Hockey Club ground, King's Park, on Thursday. Bully off 5.15 p.m. sharp:—
R. Baldwin, R. Bates, A. S. Bliss, W. J. Brown, N. A. E. MacKay, (Captain), E. MacNider, S. M. MacNider, A. O. W. Mooney, E. H. P. White, F. V. Wong and R. H. Wong.

BERWICK CUP

Marines Win Semi-Final Interport Hockey

Playing in the semi-final of the Berwick Inter-Port Hockey Cup, the Marines defeated the Daymen by four goals to one yesterday. The teams lined out as under:—
Marines:—Barton; Capes, Fellows; Jarvis, Ackerman, Woodridge; May, Priestley, Captain Hore, Smith, Bennett.
Daymen:—Downes, Mr. Friend, Carls; Burtles, Carbery, Lowden; Palmer, Baker, Chapman, Mr. Downs, Seldon.

Friendly Match

A friendly game played between two teams from the "Cornwall" at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon ended in a goalless draw. The play was only moderate, and both sides require more experience.

SHANGHAI TENNIS STARS ARRIVE

PRACTICE MATCHES HELD IN COLONY TO-DAY

PLAYERS IN GOOD FORM

Shanghai tennis stars arrived yesterday evening by the a.s. "President McKinley," and there was a good gathering of members and players of the local Tennis Association at the wharf to extend a cordial welcome to the "invaders."
The Shanghai teams are composed of the following:—
Men:—Wade (Captain), Gordon Lum, Canavarro, and P. Kong.
Ladies:—Mrs. Stafford Smith (Captain), Mrs. Frith, Miss Callaco and Miss Crawford.

Local Stars in Practice

Yesterday two of our best singles players were engaged in a practice match at the Hong Kong Cricket Club. They were S. A. Rumsdell and T. Honda. The Japanese player was defeated by 8-5, 1-6 and 6-0.

The trial match—Major Lucas and Dr. Tottenham v. McEachern and Goldman—for the No. 2 Doubles place, which was to have taken place yesterday, did not come off on account of the indisposition of the last named, but the former pair will meet McEachern and another this afternoon at the Hong Kong Cricket Club.

The Shanghai teams will be seen in action at the Hong Kong Cricket Club this afternoon.

POPULAR SPORTSMEN LEAVE THE COLONY

C.S.M.W. ANDERSON RETURNS TO ENGLAND

AN ALL-ROUND ATHLETE

Amongst local military men who left the Colony yesterday was C.S.M. W. Anderson, of the 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers who is a very fit sportsman. He was the recipient of a cigarette case, presented by his company officers.

A very fine footballer, C.S.M. Anderson played for the winners of the Scottish Command Cup, the opposing team containing no fewer than seven professional players. He also played for the South Western Command and for Devon County in 1920, 1921, 1922 and 1923, and turned out for his regiment in the Army Cup competition.

The Army Team

C.S.M. Anderson was also a member of the British Army Team which toured the continent and played against the Belgian Army. In Egypt and also in Hong Kong, C.S.M. Anderson had also turned out regularly for the Army and was a member of the Army team which won the Hong Kong Football Shield.

Besides being a fine footballer, C.S.M. Anderson was also well to the fore in athletics, representing his regiment in many field events. He also shone as a billiards player.

Private Lamb

Another local Army sportsman who left yesterday was Pte. Lamb, R.A.M.C., who had refereed many football matches in both the first and second divisions of the Hong Kong Football League. During his stay here he was also identified with the Boy Scout movement.

Other R.A.M.C. troops proceeding Home include Sgt. Pepworth, who provided many comedy turns in the R.A.M.C. Concert Party, Private Wake, who was frequently Sgt. Pepworth's partner in mirth, and played football in addition, and Lance-Sgt. Tomlin who played tennis for the R.A.M.C. Sergeants.

WRESTLING

Gus Kalto Wins From Californian

Cincinnati, Ohio, Nov. 9.
Gus Kalto, world middleweight wrestling champion, successfully defended his title at Redland Field in Cincinnati, when he tossed George Sauer, of California, after one hour and 51 minutes of furious grappling.

Sauer was slammed to the canvas by a flying tackle, and was unable to return to the ring. The Californian wrestler suffered three broken ribs, and was carried to the Good Samaritan Hospital for examination.—United Press.

DEATH FOLLOWS IN WAKE OF ELECTION

GUERRILLA WARFARE BEFORE THE PRESIDENT'S PALACE

70 KILLED AND WOUNDED

Mexico City, Yesterday.
The casualty list in connection with what officials call a "comparatively quiet" presidential election, is so far 19 killed and 60 wounded, which includes eight killed, fighting in Mexico City within sight of the President's palace, where shots were exchanged and the assault having torn up and thrown with terrible effect. Five policemen were killed at Tolca owing to the overturning of a lorry in which they were proceeding to the scene of the fight.

Ortiz Rubio was overwhelmingly elected, but the adherent of Josevas Concelos, leader of the Anti-Re-electionists, charge the opposition with seizing the polling booths when they were opened forcibly, or menacingly preventing tens of thousands from voting.—Reuter's American Service.

New York, Yesterday.

The Mexican National Revolutionary Party, founded by ex-President Calles and the late ex-President Obregon, claims a sweeping victory at the Presidential election for its nominee Ortiz Rubio. His opponent is Jose Vasconcelos, ex-Minister of Justice.—Reuter's American Service.

BRITISH AIRSHIP

The R.101 Moored At Cardington

London, Yesterday.
The R.101 moored at Cardington at 5.10 to-day.—Reuter.

Cruise to Ireland

Rugby, Yesterday.
The airship R.101 returned to the mooring mast at Cardington at 3.45 this afternoon. She left the mast at 10.30 yesterday morning and had thus been flying for over 29 hours.

She had cruised through the night in fog and made four crossings of sea between the British and Irish coasts. When she reached Holyhead from Dublin this morning, she proceeded by way of Llandudno and Chester to Lichfield, and cruised over the Midland industrial country before making for home.—British Wireless Service.

Surprise Flight

Rugby, Yesterday.
The airship R.101, in continuance of her tests, began a surprise flight yesterday morning, and is still in the air. No definite time has been fixed for her return to her mooring tower. She is in continuous wireless communication with the Air Ministry ground staff. After leaving Cardington she flew north and passed over the shed of her sister ship R.100 at Howden, on her way to Newcastle and Edinburgh, where she turned west. In the clear moonlight she could be clearly seen and her movements were admired by large crowds in Glasgow and later in Edinburgh.

The Irish Coast

She then cruised southwest and made for the Irish Coast passing over Belfast at about 10 o'clock last night. Some hours later she was reported off the Isle of Man, and at 7 o'clock this morning was over the outskirts of Dublin. After cruising over the neighbouring country, she recrossed the Irish Sea, and at 10 o'clock had reached Holyhead, and proceeded towards Liverpool.

Her Longest Trip

From Liverpool she will take her course over Manchester, and is expected to pass over the Midland towns early this afternoon. This is the seventh and longest flight of the R.101. Hitherto her longest flight was that of November 4, when, leaving her mooring tower at 8 o'clock in the morning she remained aloft until 10 o'clock the following morning.

During her speed tests, the R.101, using four of her five engines, attained a speed of 70 miles per hour on a 14-mile stretch, and did sharp turns when going at the rate of 62 miles. At the time she was carrying 97 per cent. of her full load, or about 145 tons.—British Wireless Service.

COLONY'S WATER SUPPLY

STORAGE DECREASING IN ISLAND

CONSUMPTION LOWER

The "China Mail" is officially informed that the total storage in the island reservoirs yesterday morning amounted to 1,606.73 million gallons, showing a decrease of 48.87 million gallons during the past week. The amount collected from streams was 0.67 million gallons.

The week's consumption amounted to 26.46 million gallons, not including 1.60 million gallons supplied to water boats at Laichikok. The yield from the Shing Mun River and streams during the week was 27.33 million gallons.

In Kowloon

The total storage in the main land reservoirs yesterday morning amounted to 514.73 million gallons, showing a decrease of 0.73 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption amounted to 26.46 million gallons, not including 1.60 million gallons supplied to water boats at Laichikok. The yield from the Shing Mun River and streams during the week was 27.33 million gallons.

Storage

The following shows the amount in storage (million gallons) on the dates named:

	Hong Kong Mainland	Kowloon
April 22	226.38	126.51
" 20	227.55	117.44
May 6	311.72	121.65
" 13	309.34	125.34
" 20	283.97	115.00
" 27	261.03	102.18
June 3	237.50	87.96
" 10	212.71	85.61
" 17	192.76	80.51
" 24	177.62	100.28
July 1	175.54	114.27
" 8	157.79	105.62
" 15	152.07	107.31
" 22	140.92	277.00
" 29	99.80	397.04
Aug. 5	1,251.86	458.68
" 12	1,356.64	442.36
" 19	1,615.86	452.35
" 26	1,789.09	461.41
" 3	1,794.13	467.96
Sept. 9	1,611.82	495.71
" 16	1,905.81	495.35
" 23	1,881.01	501.32
" 30	1,884.24	513.80
Oct. 7	1,880.13	514.88
" 14	1,839.64	515.63
" 21	1,794.20	514.87
" 28	1,740.59	514.61
Nov. 4	1,699.58	514.64
" 11	1,655.80	515.46
" 18	1,605.73	514.73

Consumption

The following figures show the weekly consumption (million gallons) on the dates mentioned:—

	Hong Kong Mainland	Kowloon
April 22	37.56	30.76
" 20	37.59	29.83
May 6	33.03	27.17
" 13	30.57	25.07
" 20	31.03	25.06
" 27	33.86	25.36
June 3	27.48	24.86
" 10	27.37	19.59
" 17	30.18	14.04
" 24	27.14	11.08
July 1	27.21	20.71
" 8	27.25	19.91
" 15	28.77	17.87
" 22	25.32	22.29
" 29	31.53	22.81
Aug. 5	31.85	25.17
" 12	38.27	25.23
" 19	39.86	25.86
" 26	51.47	28.91
Sept. 3	50.56	27.62
" 10	51.47	27.29
" 17	57.25	28.23
" 24	58.41	28.67
" 30	57.20	29.09
Oct. 7	54.90	26.70
" 14	55.16	26.97
" 21	54.68	26.62
" 28	54.29	27.19
Nov. 4	54.22	26.81
" 11	51.55	26.87
" 18	48.87	26.46

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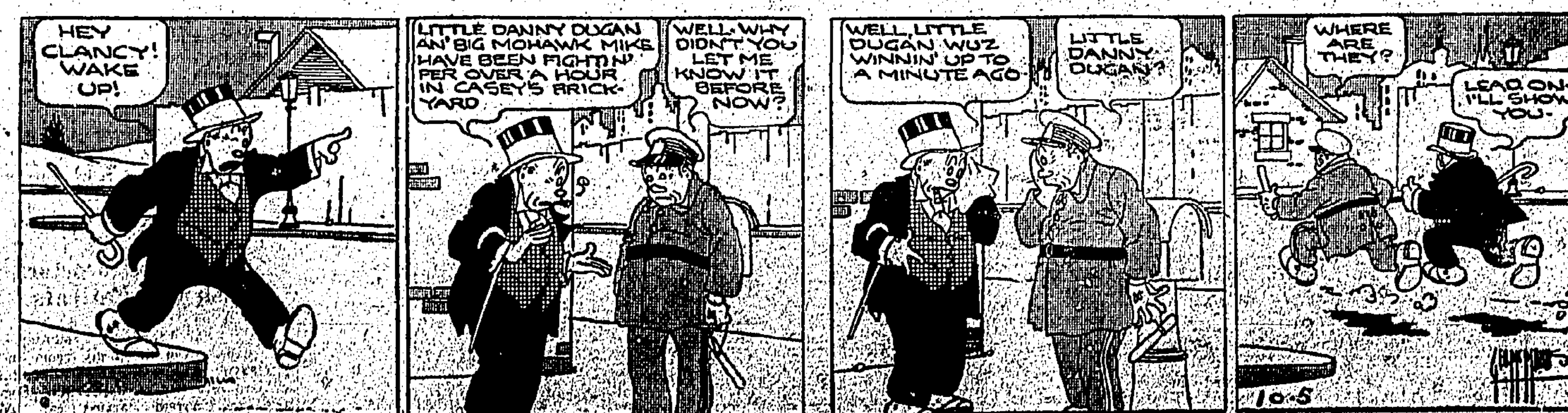
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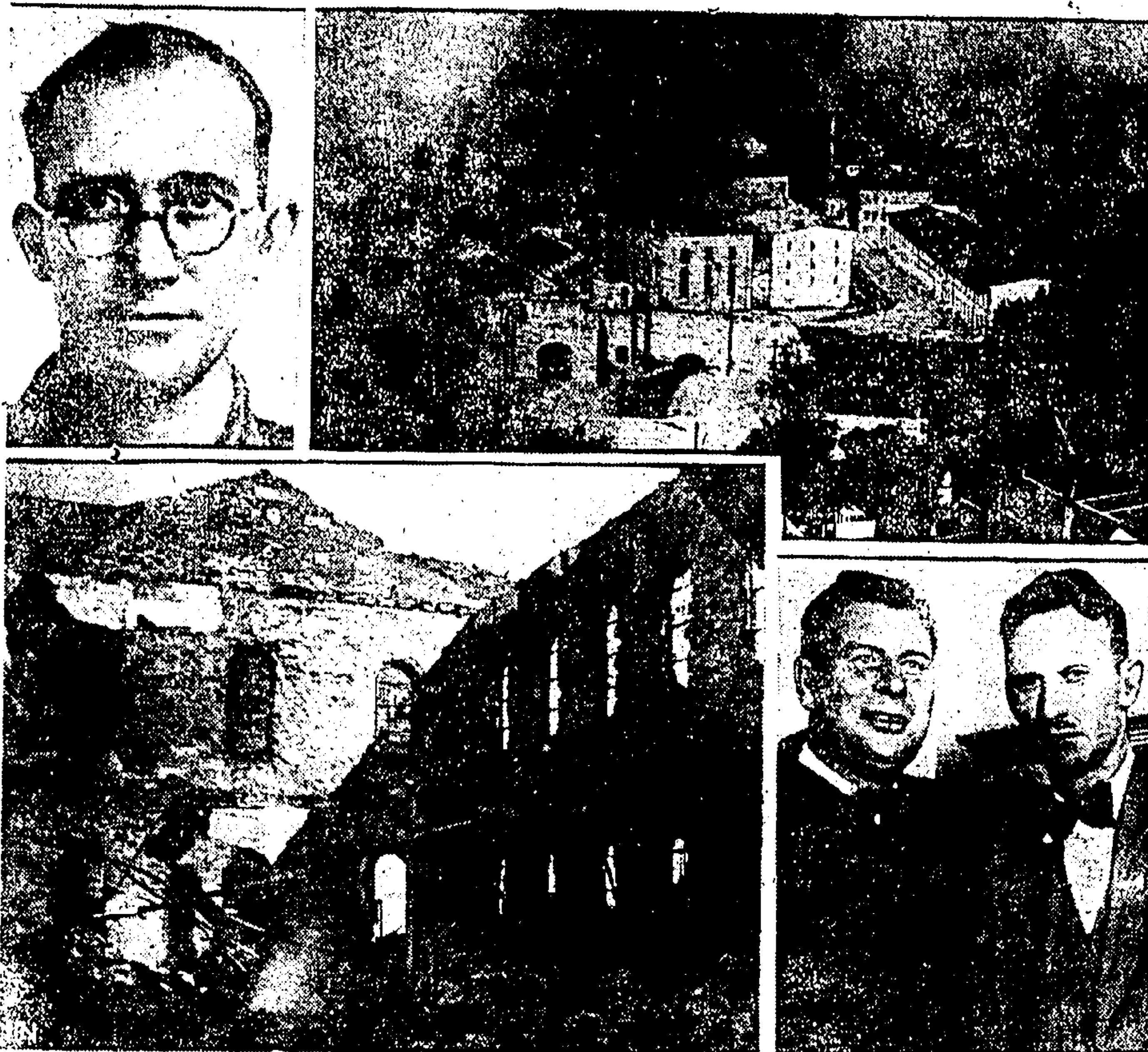
Miss Elizabeth Holcombe of Houston, Texas, who christened the new U.S. Cruiser "Houston" at Norfolk, Va.

Inherits Fortune



Miss Elizabeth Livermore, daughter of the late Harris Livermore, who was killed in the crash of the ill-fated T. T. plane "City of San Francisco," will inherit the largest estate of her father estimated at more than a million dollars in value.

Battling Convicts Fought For Freedom



Actual photographs of the riot at the Colorado State Penitentiary, at Canon City, where death stalked as convicts and guards battled for life. Upper left shows Danny Daniels, killer and convict leader, who is reputed to have been the most bloodthirsty figure in the riot. It was he who shot down most of the guards in cold blood when the warden refused to capitulate to the terms Daniels offered. Upper right is an airplane view of the burning prison while the actual fighting was in progress. (Lower left)—The smant ruins of the prison walls give evidence of the intensity of the fire. Lower right are two outstanding heroes of the riot. (Left) Father Patrick O'Neil, who braved a rain of bullets to place a dynamite charge under the wall in order that the forces of law and order could enter the prison and right Marion Keating, Colorado guardman who distinguished himself throughout the entire riot.

Servicemen's Reunion Dinner



The first reunion dinner of the Royal Army Service Corps Regimental Association to be held in Shanghai took place recently at Shepherd's Hotel, over a hundred being present. Major H. D. Parkin, O.B.E., M.C., R.A.S.C., was in the chair. During the dinner, the Band of the 1st Battalion, the Norfolk Regiment played appropriate selections, under the leadership of Bandmaster R. F. Howard.—(Ah Fong).

Flag Champions Return



Left to right: Robert Sullivan, Mary McGonagal, Troy, N.Y.; Merle Clarke, Saulte Ste. Marie, Mich., and Alma Groves, Byronville, Ga., winners of the Hearst flag contest, as they returned from a three and a half month tour of the globe. They crossed three oceans, visited the Hawaiian Islands, the Philippines, Hong Kong, India, Egypt and all the capitals of Europe.

Harvard Club Meeting



In the lower room of the Cathay Hotel, the Harvard Club of Shanghai, which is a member of the Associated Harvard Clubs all over the world, held its first meeting. A good number of members was present. Mr. Loy Chong, President of the club, presided. The principal speaker of the day was Dr. John C. H. Wu, President of the Shanghai Provisional Court, who gave a brief talk on the "Intellectual Tendencies of the East and West."—(Ah Fong).

MacDonald Meets President



J. Ramsay MacDonald, Britain's Prime Minister, chatting with President Hoover on the steps of the Executive Mansion shortly after MacDonald met the Chief Executive for the first time.

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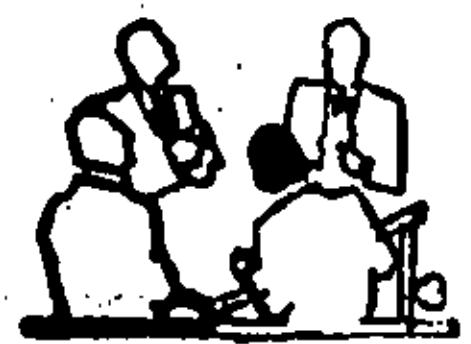
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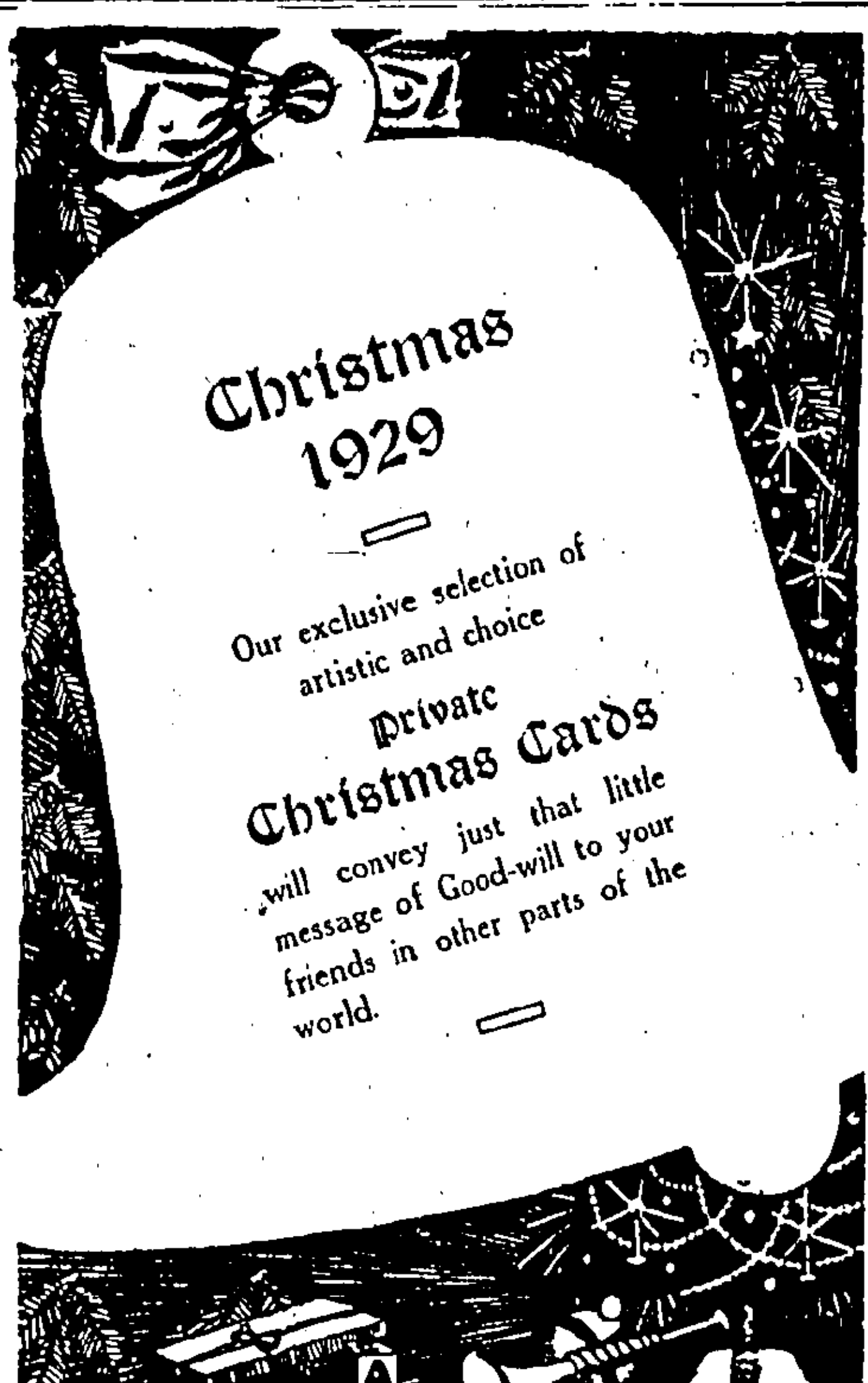
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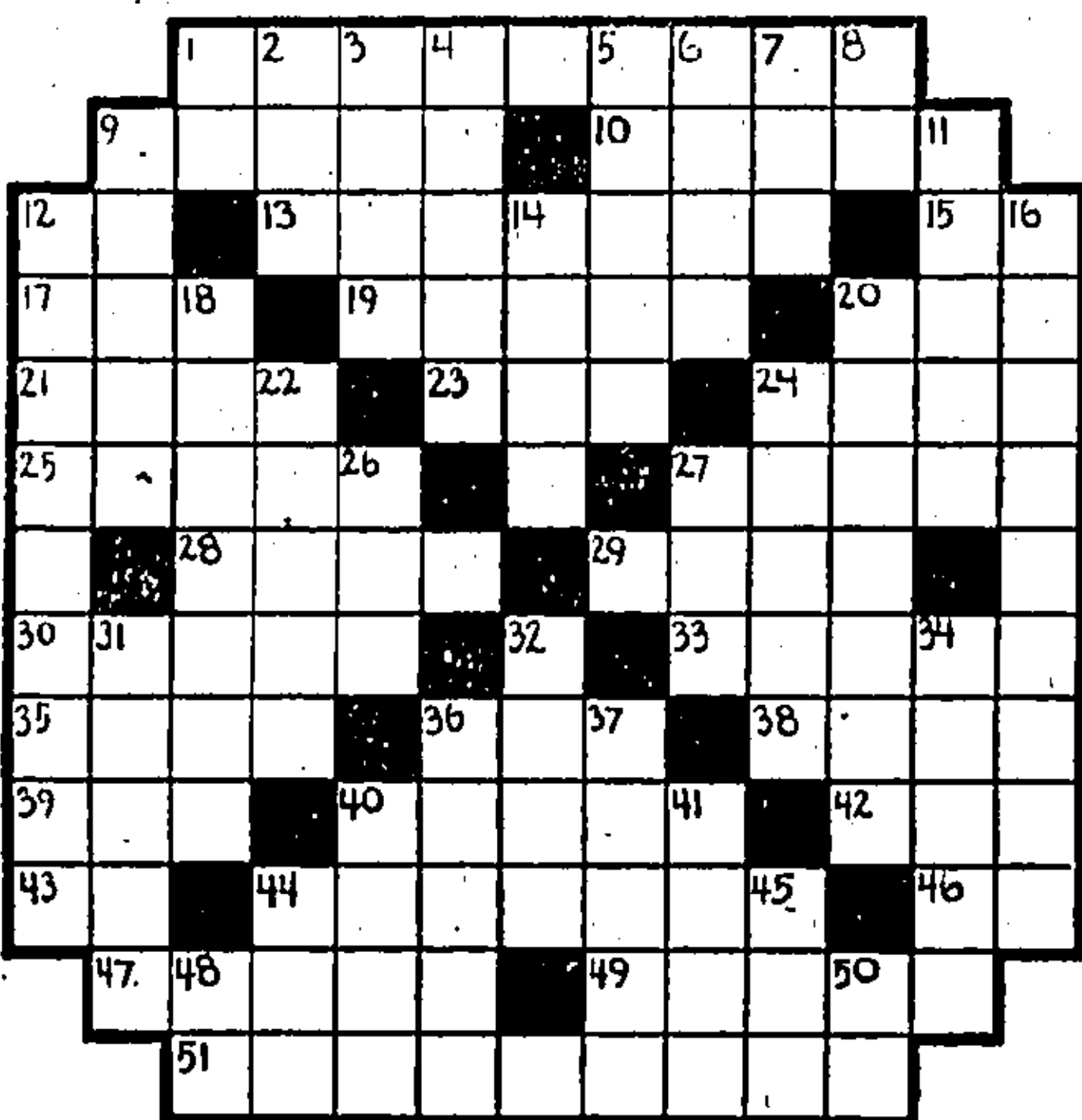
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1-Abandoned all hope
 - 3-Marine growth
 - 10-Linger
 - 12-Extremely
 - 13-Famous waterfall
 - 15-Printer's measure
 - 17-To decline
 - 19-A city of N. E. France
 - 20-A lyric poem
 - 21-A small sour apple
 - 22-A negative vote
 - 24-To yield
 - 25-Relieves
 - 27-An ecclesiastical council
 - 28-Crowd
 - 29-Combining form. One
 - 30-Sans
 - 33-Masculine name
 - 35-Island (poetic)
 - 36-Joined
 - 38-To seal with wax
 - 39-Diminutive suffix
 - 40-Prescribed routes for steamers
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- 42-The (French)
 - 43-Point of compass (abbr.)
 - 44-Earwax
 - 45-A Roman weight of one pound
 - 47-Feminine name
 - 48-Bottled
 - 50-Quintilled
- VERTICAL**
- 1-Perform
 - 2-Eagle
 - 3-Navigate
 - 4-Distance
 - 5-A country of Europe
 - 6-Scarce
 - 7-Period of time
 - 8-Doctor (abbr.)
 - 9-A venomous snake
 - 11-Former name of Tokyo
 - 12-The act of seceding
 - 14-Happy
 - 16-Want
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- 18-A balanced lever used in some draw-bridges
 - 20-A beverage of mingled wine and honey
 - 22-A Swiss canton
 - 24-Pastorist
 - 25-Depressed
 - 27-A code-signal of distress
 - 31-A noted Canadian physician
 - 32-The knee (Latin)
 - 34-A mountain nymph
 - 35-A French revolutionist
 - 37-A valley in Thessaly, famous for its beauty
 - 40-Wife of Tyndareus
 - 41-To cauterize
 - 44-Policeman (slang)
 - 45-A brood, as of pheasants
 - 48-High School (abbr.)
 - 50-Boy's name (short)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

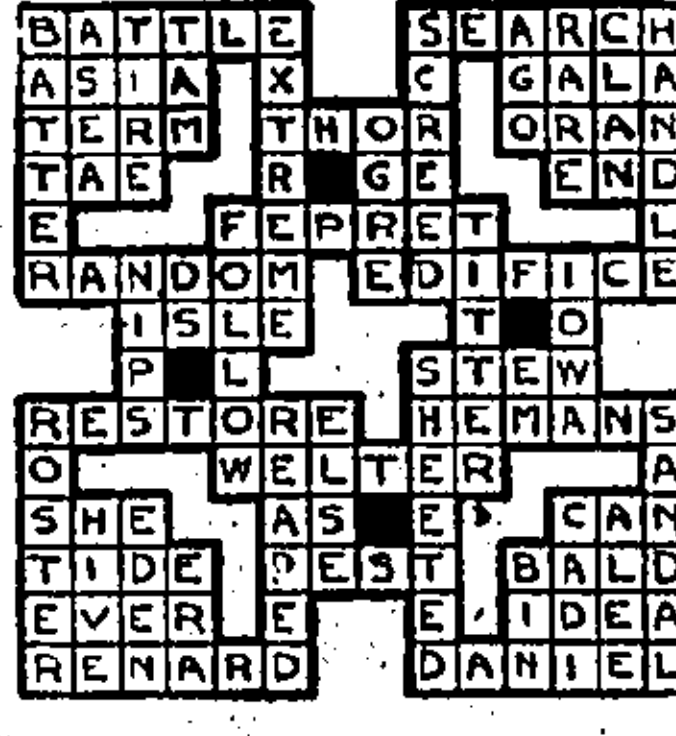
SIGNERS NOT AFFECTED

As a rule the ordinary singer does not seem to be affected, although an exception may be found when listening to one or two vocalists at the morning concert.

Those who wish to sing or play over the wireless must first of all have a try-out, or, as the B.B.C. prefer to call it, an audition. Every week a stream of budding broadcasters pass through the London and local stations of the Corporation. The actual procedure is very much the same for most of the studios. The applicant writes for an appointment, and this obtained, arrives with music, ukulele, violin, or trombone, as the case may be.

First, the person sings or plays, or otherwise shows what he or she can do. If the studio has a blue light over the door, it shows the microphone is alive, though a closed circuit only is being used. This means they are not being actually broadcast, but are passed back to headphones or loud speaker in another room and the studio official listens to the test, for it is very difficult to say if an applicant has a good microphone voice. A voice, which may sound beautiful in a theatre or concert hall may frequently fail to pass the microphone test.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



If an applicant has "got the goods" an engagement will follow, or a tacit note will be received to the effect that the voice or turn is not quite suitable for broadcasting. In this way the singer or musician has had some experience before appearing before the microphone for the first time. The speaker has not that advantage, but an endeavour is made to help him by means of a few words of expert advice.

He must be careful not to cough or clear his throat before the "mike," and notes must not be written on thin crinkly paper, for in turning over the page the rustle is magnified enormously. Rough, porous paper is used.

DULL PROGRAMMES OUTCRY

LISTENERS PLEAD FOR CHANGE OF FARE

AUTOCRATIC POLICY

The "Daily Express" wireless correspondent dealt in mail week with the complaint of listeners at Home that the B.B.C. has adopted a "Safety First and autocratic" "Take-it-or-leave-it" policy. Dull fare, monotony, and lack of enterprise are some of the charges levelled against them.

Brookman's Park, the B.B.C.'s new transmitting station for London, is undergoing its first public tests.

The National Radio Exhibition opened at Olympia.

The first experimental broadcasts of television are expected shortly.

The "Proms" are in full swing, and the new autumn season of concerts and talks is about to start.

Yet I am daily receiving complaints from listeners that the B.B.C.'s programmes have never been so "dead-and-alive," so lacking in novelty and enterprise, as now.

What is the use of a new transmitter if it is going to transmit the same old stuff? asks a Harrow correspondent.

"Apart from the Queen's Hall Promenade Concerts, there is nothing worth listening to," writes a listener from Croydon.

5GB "Waste"

"The Sunday programmes get steadily duller," is a complaint from Northwood.

"I wish you could induce the B.B.C. to make a more imaginative use of 5GB," urges a Kensington listener. "Apart from the Proms, all that 5GB gives us is the Birmingham studio orchestra, the Birmingham studio augmented orchestra, between which two the difference is too subtle for me to distinguish—the Birmingham military band, hours of so-called 'variety,' and dance music."

"Nothing except the 'Proms,' ever seems to break the monotonous sequence of these programmes, and 2LO is very little better. Why do the B.B.C. never cut a 'dash' these days? Even if the programmes were good they would not continue to appeal to listeners unless a bigger effort were made to avoid at least the appearance of being so cut-and-dried."

"British broadcasting has, in fact, got into exactly the sort of Civil Service groove which we all anticipated, and Mr. Eckersley, Mr. R. E. Jeffrey, Mr. Cecil Lewis, and nearly all the other people who were not afraid of trying out new ideas have left or are leaving the B.B.C."

At The B.B.C.

I carried these complaints to the B.B.C. I expected to be told that: "The licence figures show a steady increase in the number of listeners."

"The Promenade Concerts are popular."

"We believe in keeping a consistently high level, rather than in aiming at a series of 'peaks' in the broadcast programmes."

"The listener gets so much for so little—only 10s a year—that he unconsciously judges the article by its cost, and so undervalues it."

"When the Regional Scheme is in

full swing every listener will be satisfied, because his own special tastes will be catered for to a far greater extent than is possible under the present system.

"Anyway, we don't agree that the bulk of listeners do not enjoy and appreciate the programmes."

"As for the brightening of the Sunday broadcasting, we have nothing to say."

As Expected

I addressed myself to the invariably courteous official of the B.B.C.

"What can I do for you?" he asked. I told him.

"Perhaps you would care to look at the licence figures," he began. "You will notice that during May, June and July this year there was a bigger increase than during the same months of 1928 and 1927."

"The Promenade Concerts are a bigger success this year than ever. As for your demand for occasional stunts, the expensive engagements of celebrities, and that sort of thing, we believe that these tend to decrease the enthusiasm of listeners rather than to increase it. We find it better to maintain a consistently high level of excellence than to disappoint listeners by not producing a sensation every night. And we think that a certain number of listeners only grumble because they pay so little—a mere 10s.—for such an immense quantity of entertainment. When the new dual transmitter at Brookman's Park gets to work, and is followed by the other high-power stations of the Regional Scheme, it will be possible for us to consult individual taste to a greater extent, and to vary the programmes more than is practicable now."

Sunday Silence

"Not that we admit that listeners as a whole are dissatisfied with the present programmes. There have always been grouse, but we go out of our way to answer their complaints and meet their objections."

And what about the Sunday programmes? I asked. "Must they always be of the present type, even when the regional scheme comes in? Must the very lightest of Sunday fare be operatic excerpts by the orchestras of seaside hotels?"

"I am sorry," was the reply, "but I am afraid I cannot say anything about the Sunday programmes."

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"Trovatore", Selection, Creators' Band.

"What is Done?", Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham.

"Nocturne", Part I, Harry F. Reser.

"The Arcadians—Vocal Gems", Light Opera Company.

"Lolly Pops", The Clock and the Banjo.

"Overture", Part I, Harry F. Reser.

(The Russian Festival of High Easter) Leopold Stokowski, Philadelphia Orchestra.

(Continued on Next Column.)

RADIO EXHIBITION TO BE HELD

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In connection with the exhibition a competition for amateurs has been arranged, the conditions being as follows:

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- (4) Sets to be ready for immediate operation on being connected to power and aerial.
- (5) Sets should be in the hands of the exhibition authorities not later than noon on the first day of the exhibition, and names of intending competitors should be submitted not later than Monday, December 2.
- (6) A charge of one dollar will be made per set exhibited, not more than five sets to be submitted by each competitor.
- (7) The decision of the judging committee to be considered final.
- (8) The exhibition authorities do not accept any responsibility for any apparatus exhibited.

Radio Dance

A fancy dress dance will be held on the last night of the exhibition, December 7, in the hall adjoining the exhibition rooms. This will start at 9 p.m. and continue until midnight. Prizes will be given for the best fancy dress and for a spotlight waltz. Admission will be two dollars, ladies by courtesy. Tickets for the dance will be on sale at all radio dealers and a limited number will be available at the door. The music will be provided by radio.

"If I Might Only Come to You", "Mary, My Mary", Tenor, Derek Oldham.

"Pagliacci", Selection, Creators' Band.

"Little Pal", "Why Can't You", Grace Fields.

"In the Heart of the Sunset", "Forever", Organ Solo.

"When You're Away", Reginald Foot.

"One Alone", Tenor, Richard Crooks.

"Two American Sketches", "Song of the Bayou", Victor Concert Orchestra.

"Lonesome Road (The Show Boat)", "Little Pal", Bass, Paul Robeson.

"The Singing Fool", Selection, De Groot & His Orchestra.

"Little by Little", "Every Day Away from You", Johnny Marvin.

"Honolulu Sweetheart of Mine", "Along Miami Shore", Peter Dawson.

"La Traviata—Drinking Song & Cypri Chorus", Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.

"The Smuggler's Song", "Boots", Bass Baritone.

"La Traviata—Prelude—Act III", "Old Time Songs", Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.

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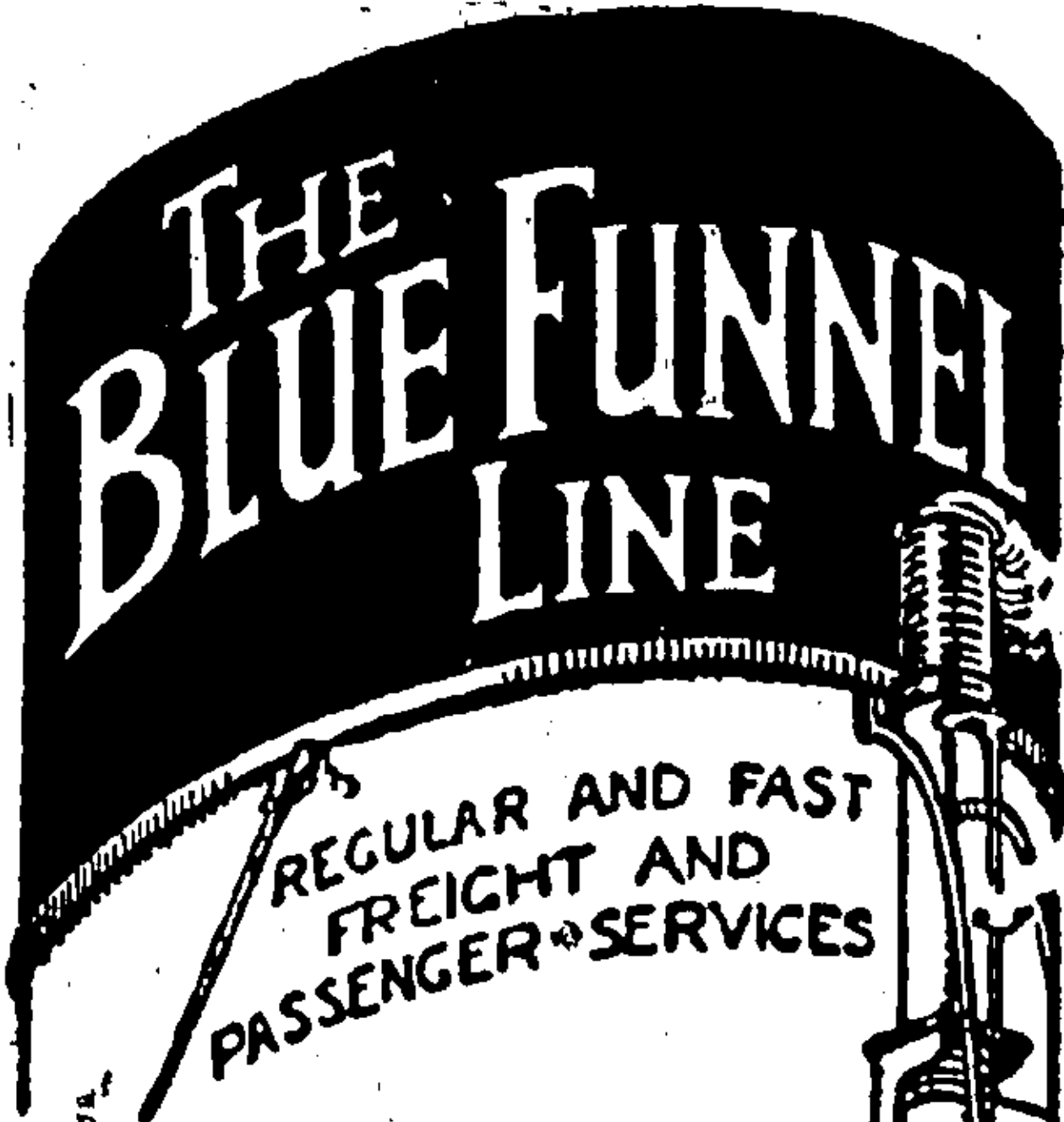
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Straits	Takliwa	
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20.		
Saigon	Athos II.	
Swatow	Cremar	
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21.		
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	
Australia and Manila	Tango Maru	
Canada (Victoria, B.C., Nov. 2) U.S.A.		
Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Russia	
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, Oct. 24 and Parcels, Oct. 17)	Malwa	
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22.		
U.S.A. (Seattle, Nov. 2), Canada, Japan & Shanghai	President Jefferson	
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25.		
Straits	Fushimi Maru	
Manila	Empress of Russia	

OUTWARD MAILES.

For	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19.	Per
Manila	President McKinley	4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Kwai Sang	5 p.m.
Formosa	Kine Maru	5 p.m.
Amoy	Kutsang	5 p.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island		
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20.		
Java via Batavia	Kaga Maru (Due Thursday Island, Dec. 2.)	
Straits	Registration	Nov. 19, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Letters	Nov. 20, 8.30 a.m.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Tjikembang	9.30 a.m.
Straits	Autolycus	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Dalny	Athos II.	2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Deli Maru	8.30 a.m.
Manila	Hinsang	9.30 a.m.
Straits	Cremar	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Chenau	1.30 p.m.
Manila	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22.		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Empress of Russia	3.30 p.m.
Japan and Europe via Siberia	Buenos Aires Maru	9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Tango Maru	9.30 a.m.
	Hai Ning	2 p.m.

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DOMINIONS AND THE NAVAL BASE

"NOT CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO CONSULT THEM"
EVASIVE REPLIES

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons to-day, replying to Mr. Howard Bury as to whether the Dominions and Colonies which subscribed to the construction of Singapore Naval Base were consulted for a cessation of the work, Mr. MacDonald referred to Mr. Alexander's reply on November 13 and said that the Dominions were notified but the Colonial Government was not previously informed. It was not thought necessary to consult the Dominions' Government formally regarding the slowing down or suspension of work, but they would of course be consulted before any decision was taken affecting the scheme as a whole.

How the Money Was Spent
Mr. Howard Bury asked whether Mr. MacDonald was aware that the base was for the protection of the Dominions and that their money was being spent. Therefore, their agreement should first be secured.

Mr. MacDonald said he hoped that Mr. Bury would excuse him not going into details which at present should not be discussed, but Mr. Bury must see that certain agreements that might be possible at the five-power conference might affect the whole original idea of the Base.

Mr. H. L. Amery asked whether Mr. MacDonald was aware that the Malay States contribution was given with the express object of expediting the work on the Base.

Mr. MacDonald replied that he was not quite sure he was aware of the content of the question in the form in which it was put, but Mr. Amery knew perfectly well that the Government's predecessors had spent the Malay States' money first, and that there was no government of this country which would avoid obligations like that.—Reuter.

JAIL FOR BAG SNATCHER

Li Fun (19), who was yesterday convicted by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, on a charge of attempting to snatch a leather handbag from Mrs. G. M. Xavier in Wongneichung Road on Sunday afternoon, came up for sentence this morning.
His Worship sent the accused to jail for 12 months with hard labour, and remarked that he was sorry he could not sentence him to a whipping also, because he had been charged under common law instead of the Larceny from the Person Ordinance.

TIRED OF LIFE?

Two cases of attempted suicide occurred in the harbour yesterday. A Chinese named Li Young-hang (27) jumped from the s.s. "Moi Yung". He was rescued by Kong Ping-fung, ship's cook, and Kam Sheung, a shop fook.
A woman named Cheung Mui-chuk (19), of 715, Nathan Road, Kowloon, jumped from the ferry launch "Yuen Fat". She was rescued by the coxswain, none the worse for her experience.

SIR A. CHAMBERLAIN ATTACKS THE 'REDS'

CRITICISM OF MR. HENDERSON'S HASTY ACTION

PROPAGANDA PLEDGE

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons Sir Austen Chamberlain drew the attention of Mr. Arthur Henderson to an article in "Izvestia" on November 5 in which it was stated that the 1924 agreement and the 1929 protocol did not contain and could not contain a single word relating to the Comintern, and that Mr. Henderson's statement in the House of Commons was a distortion of the agreement just concluded, and asked whether Mr. Henderson would assure himself that the Soviet Government understood and accepted his interpretation of the agreement before ambassadors were exchanged.

Mr. Henderson replied that in last October's protocol, which the House of Commons approved on November 5, the Soviets undertook to confirm on the day their Ambassador presents his credentials.

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tials the pledge regarding propaganda in the 1924 treaty. It was the Government's intention to insist on this pledge, which Mr. MacDonald and he regarded clearly as applicable to the Comintern's propaganda activities which should be observed both in letter and in spirit. The provisions of the protocol enter into effect with the appointment of Ambassadors, which is already done.

Dominions Propaganda
Sir Austen Chamberlain questioned the safety of proceeding with an exchange of Ambassadors when obviously the Soviet interpreted the pledge differently. Mr. Henderson replied that in the event of a breach of the pledge, responsibility for action would rest on the Government.

Sir Henry Page Croft asked whether in view of the existing great disturbance in various parts of the Empire, Mr. Henderson would make it perfectly clear that the position in South Africa and India would be cleared up before the exchange of Ambassadors was effected.

Mr. Henderson referred to his earlier reply and Sir Henry Croft raised ministerial protests when he accused Mr. Henderson of fooling the House, which he renewed when he substituted the allegation that he "grossly deceived it." He withdrew "grossly" on the Speaker's intervention and on the Speaker's further reproof substituted the word "misled." The incident closed.

India Urged To "Rise"
Rugby, Yesterday.

Questions were put in the House of Commons to-day regarding Russia.

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

RUSSIANS LAUNCH THE OFFENSIVE

MANCHULI BOMBARDED FOR TEN HOURS

RESULTS UNKNOWN

Mukden, Yesterday.
An official communique states that at 1.30 on Sunday morning Russians launched an offensive against Manchuli, the bombardment lasting ten hours. The railway line at Hailar and Manchuli was destroyed for a length of 30 kilometres. The station at Tsai-kan was also destroyed by aero bombs.

The outcome of the fight at Manchuli is still unknown.

General Chang Sueh-liang to-day, accompanied by the Panchan Lama, visited the troops stationed in the north camp and watched firing practice with machine-guns and trench mortars.—Reuter.

Soviet Impatient

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Harbin messages to Rengo report that the Soviet are impatient at the slow progress in the settlement of the C.E.R. dispute, and have decided to commence activities at all important points on the Chinese-Soviet border.

According to a report from Hailar, six Soviet planes reappeared over Tsakang, 38 miles east of Manchuli, and bombed the station and other points, inflicting severe damages.—Reuter.

Asian propaganda against Great Britain. The Secretary for India was asked whether he had any information regarding the manifesto addressed by the Executive Committee of the Communist International to the peoples of India, urging them to rise and throw off British rule, etc., and if so, what steps he proposed to take to prevent the circulation of this manifesto in India.

Capt. Wedgwood Benn replied he had no information beyond what had appeared in the Press.

The "Izvestia"

The Foreign Secretary was asked by Sir Austen Chamberlain, Conservative ex-Foreign Minister, whether his attention had been called to an Article published in the "Izvestia," the official organ of the Soviet Government, on November 5, and in particular, to a statement contained therein, that the agreement of 1924 and the protocol of October 3, 1929, did not contain and could not contain in a single word relating to the Comintern, and whether he would assure himself that the Soviet Government understood and accepted his interpretation of the agreement before effect was given to it by an exchange of Ambassadors.

Mr. Henderson replied, "I have seen various articles in 'Izvestia' and other newspapers the general purport of which is as described in the question. Under Paragraph 7 of the protocol of October 3, which was approved by the House on November 5, the Soviet Government have undertaken to confirm on the day for which their Ambassador presents his credentials a pledge with regard to propaganda contained in Article 16 of the 1924 treaty.

The Pledge

In accordance with statements made by the Prime Minister and myself on various occasions, it is the intention of the Government to insist that the pledge which is thus provided for in the protocol, and which they regard as clearly applicable to the propagandist activities of Comintern, shall be observed both in letter and in spirit. With regard to the last part of the question, the necessary formalities have already been completed and the two Ambassadors appointed and His Majesty's Government have thereby begun to put into effect the provisions of the protocol as approved by this House.

Sir Austen Chamberlain asked whether Mr. Henderson really thought it safe to proceed with an exchange of Ambassadors when it was quite obvious that the Russian Soviet Government put a different interpretation on the pledge from that which was put upon it by the House of Commons by the Prime Minister and himself.

Mr. Henderson replied he was under obligation to seek to carry into effect the decision of the House and, in the event of the pledge

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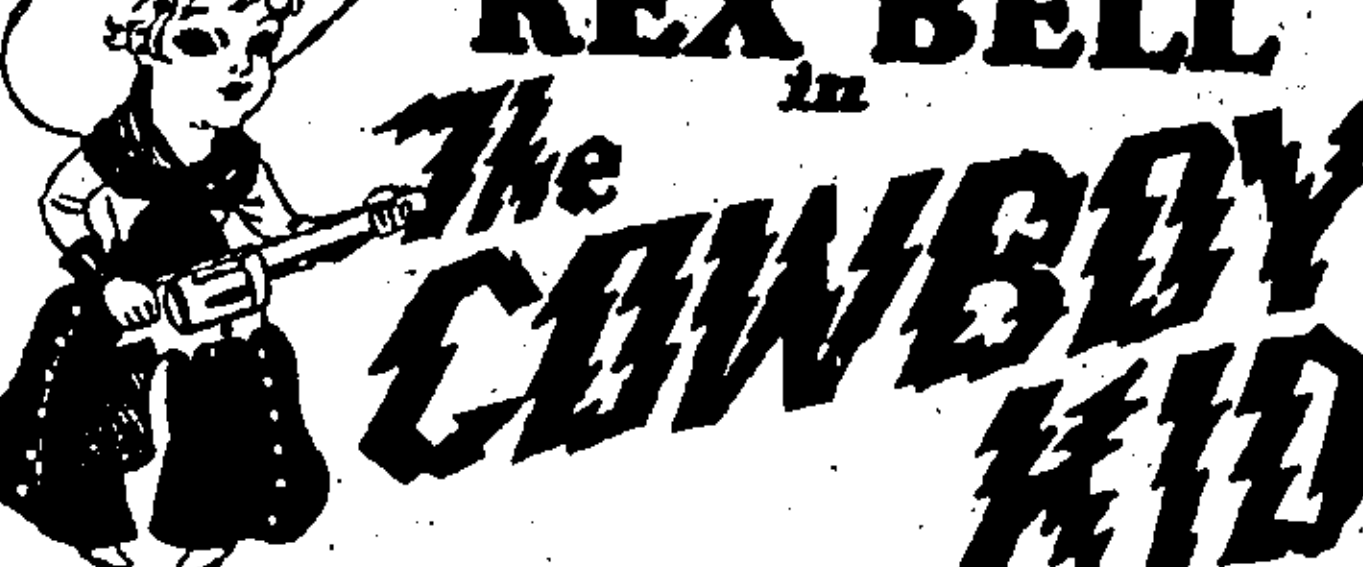
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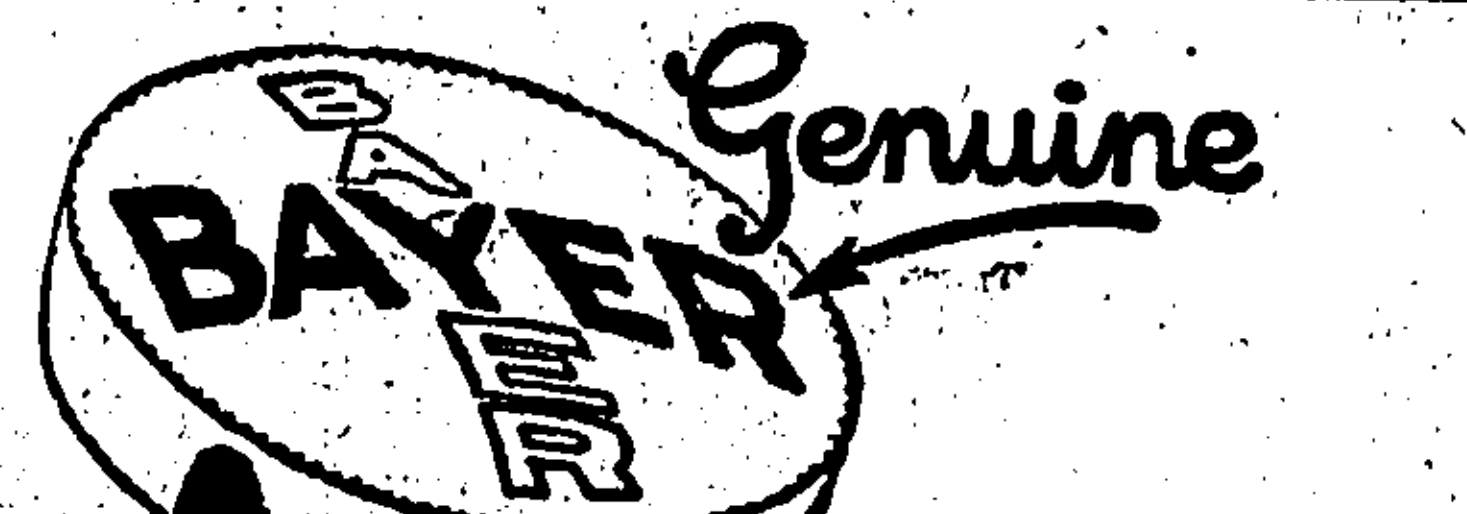


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(which would be contained in an agreement that would be handed to the Ambassador on presentation of his credentials) being broken, responsibility would rest with His Majesty's Government as to the action it must take.

Subversive Activities
Among further questions was whether, pending a definite undertaking by the Soviet Government both on its own behalf and on behalf of the Third International regarding the provision of funds for subversive activities in this country, the Foreign Secretary intended to modify in any way the doctrine of diplomatic immunity in respect of correspondence and packages passing between the Government at Moscow and its representative in London.

The Secretary for India replying to a question stated that the Government of India was consulted respecting the resumption of diplomatic relations with the Soviet Government, and the action taken by His Majesty's Government accorded with the views expressed by the Government of India.—British Wireless Service.

TO-DAY ONLY CHARLIE CHAPLIN IN "THE GOLD RUSH"



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